The Methodist Woman

HOLBROOK LIBRARY
PACIFIC SCHOOL
OF RELIGION

SEPTEMBER 1954

Vol. 15 **The Methodist Woman** No. 1

Editorial Offices
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N. Y.

MRS. C. A. MEEKER
Editor

Literature Headquarters
7820 Reading Road
Cincinnati 37, Ohio

MRS. E. LEROY STIFFLER
Publication and Business Manager

MRS. C. C. LONG
Circulation Manager and Secretary of Literature

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Officers

President—Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, Mount Vernon, Iowa.

Vice-President—Mrs. Paul Arrington, 1735 Piedmont Street, Jackson 41, Mississippi.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. Ernest Wilkins, 1059 Hyde Park Boulevard, Chicago 15, Illinois.

Treasurer—Miss Henrietta Gibson, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

Department Chairmen

Department of Work in Home Fields—Mrs. J. N. Rodeheaver, Winona Lake, Indiana.

Department of Work in Foreign Fields—Mrs. Charles E. Wegner, 1765 Arona Avenue, St. Paul 8, Minnesota.

Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities—Mrs. J. Fount Tillman, Route 1, Lewisburg, Tennessee.

Chairman of Section of Education and Cultivation—Mrs. John M. Pearson, Hancock, N. Y.

SEPTEMBER CONTENTS 1954

	PAGE
Shall a Christian Tithe? by *Bishop Costen J. Harrell*	3
Are *You* a Self-Confident Church Woman?—A Talk With Ruth Graham, by *Louise Bondie*	5
Who Is My Neighbor? by *John McDowell*	7
Mission Schools Have a Mission, by *Marian Derby*	8
Will You Open the Door? by *Elizabeth M. Lee*	9
School Nurse, by *Barbara Dunker*	10
Missionary Briefs	11
And Speaking of Reporting . . . by *Maude White Hardie*	15
Women Look Toward Cleveland, by *Edward D. Staples*	16
Circle Program	18
October Program Suggestions, by *Mrs. S. D. Bankston*	18
Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities	19
A Charter of Racial Policies—Progress Toward Charter Ratification	22
Wesleyan Service Guild—Pledge Service	24
Chart and Compass	25
A Treasure Hunt	26
World Friendship Bulletin	29
Youth Work—Around the Calendar, by *Helen L. Johnson* and *May L. Titus*	33
Missionary Education—Suggestions for Teaching *The City*, by *Mrs. Roy A. Dillon*	35
Student Work—Cup and Counselor, by *Dr. Stanley Martin*	36
Literature Style Show, adapted from a skit prepared by *Mrs. Glenn D. Perkins*	37
Literature and Publications—Station M W W O	39
Financial Report	40

RECENT ARRIVALS FROM—

Africa: **Dr. Kathryn Eye, Glenelg, Maryland.**

India: **Misses Lois Biddle, R.D. 1, Williamsburg, Pennsylvania; Eva Logue, Rt. 6, Westminster, Maryland; Clara Kleiner, "Home-Garden," Affeltern a/Albis, Switzerland; Dorothy Harper, Rt. 1, Ardmore, Oklahoma; Ruth Warrington, 4006 N. E. Flanders Street, Portland, Oregon; Dr. Edith Lacy, Mineral, Virginia; Laura Heist, 1814 S. E. 27th Ave., Portland 15, Oregon; Jean Campbell, 116 11th St., N. E., Massillon, Ohio.**

Japan: **Miss Evelyn Wolfe, c/o Mrs. J. H. Lucas, 137 North 17th St., Warwood, Wheeling, West Virginia.**

Malaya: **Misses Helen Desjardins, 2823 Columbine Place, Nashville, Tennessee; Birdice Lawrence, 307 East Mount Hope, Lansing, Michigan, care of Mrs. M. Schuurmans.**

Philippines: **Miss Dorothy Edwards (married name—Mrs. Loreta L. Crisologo) Genoa, New York.**

RECENT SAILINGS FOR—

Argentina: **Miss Patricia Richardson**
Brazil: **Miss Elsie Parker**
Burma: **Miss Stella Ebersole**
India: **Misses Margaret Wallace, Marie F. Bale, Mary Gordon, Ida Klingeberger, Mildred Wright**
Malaya: **Miss Mariam Gruber**
Uruguay: **Miss Lois Fink**

OUR WRITERS

Bishop Costen J. Harrell of Charlotte, North Carolina.

John McDowell, director of the National Federation of Settlements and Neighborhood Houses.

Miss Marian Derby, executive secretary for Latin America.

Miss Barbara Dunker, nurse at the Navajo Methodist Mission School, Farmington, New Mexico.

Dr. Edward D. Staples, director, Department of the Christian Family, Board of Education, Nashville, Tennessee.

Mrs. Roy A. Dillon, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; former high-school and junior-college teacher; has taught in many conference schools of missions.

Dr. Stanley H. Martin, secretary, Department of Student Loans and Scholarships, Division of Educational Institutions, the General Board of Education, Nashville, Tennessee.

COVER

A reproduction of the cover of *A Fact Book on The Church in Urban Life*. Used by permission of the Department of City Work and the Department of Research and Surveys of the Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions.

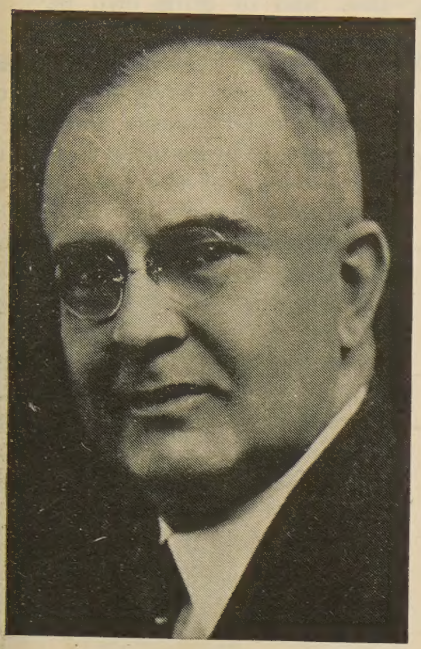
THE METHODIST WOMAN, the official organ of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, is published monthly (bimonthly, July and August) at 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio, by the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions of The Methodist Church.

Entered as second-class matter at the post office at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 6, 1940, according to the Act of March 3, 1879.

Acceptance for mailing at special rate of postage provided for in Section 1103, Act of October 3, 1917, authorized July 8, 1918.

Subscription price $1.00 a year; combination (with *World Outlook*) $2.30, payable in advance. Subscriptions in the United States and Possessions, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Mexico, Morocco (Spanish Zone), Panama, Peru, Spain (including Balearic Islands, Canary Islands, Spanish offices in Northern Africa, and Andorra), Spanish Guinea, Uruguay: One year, $1.00; combination (with *World Outlook*), $2.30; Canada, Newfoundland, and Labrador: One year, $1.25; combination (with *World Outlook*), $2.80. All other foreign countries: $1.40; combination (with *World Outlook*), $3.00.

Names of subscribers and all money should be sent to The Methodist Woman, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio. Sample copies sent free for use in canvassing.



Bishop Costen J. Harrell

Shall a Christian Tithe?

By BISHOP COSTEN J. HARRELL

NOT long ago I was in a stewardship meeting. Some excellent things had been said about our stewardship of things, but they had not been put together. A young layman spoke with manifest earnestness: "Tell me," he said, "what is meant by the stewardship of possessions? I have heard much about it, but I am confused. I'd like to hear in plain words what it is, and how it applies to me." The speaker was a good man, a faithful officer in his church, and a tither. But the doctrine of stewardship was for him a jumble of unrelated phrases because the principles that undergird it had not been made plain and set in order.

The doctrine of stewardship, like every other, must be supported by solid truth or, like the house built on sand, it falls to pieces. Often it needs to be rescued from the gloriously indefinite and given a body, and withal to have the breath of life breathed into it. It must be made intellectually respectable lest honest people think it is a pious sentiment, or merely another scheme to replenish the treasury of the church. Three stalwart ideas undergird the doctrine of the stewardship of possessions.

I

The whole concept of stewardship rests, first, upon an idea that can be denied by none who genuinely believe in God: *This is God's world.* By virtue of his creation and providence, ultimate ownership is with him. He is sovereign Lord. Long centuries ago a psalmist sang, "The sea is his, and he made it; and his hands formed the dry land," and no one questions the insight of his song. The ownership and control by God cannot be passed to another by any "due process of law." Whatever property we hold is subject to the prior claim of the Creator and Owner of all. Our man-made titles are in a few brief years passed to others—but "a thousand years in [his] sight are but as yesterday when it is passed, and as a watch in the night. . . . From everlasting to everlasting, [he is] God."

Let us reverently observe that at the center of the doctrine of the stewardship of possessions stands God. Every Christian teaching derives its forcefulness and authority from its relation to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faith has no saving quality unless it is faith in God. The moral law lacks force until we recognize in it a reflection of the holiness of God. The doctrine of stewardship likewise begins with the Lord of the earth. What we temporarily possess is not in reality our own. The titles are with God, and we are temporary trustees of little portions of our Father's boundless estate.

No teaching in the Bible stands out in bolder relief than God's ownership and control of his creation. Psalmists and prophets exhaust the resources of language when they speak of God, Creator and sovereign Ruler over all. The story of man's redemption begins with a sweeping statement: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." A question from the Book of Job is a stinging rebuke to human self-sufficiency: "Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth?" "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. . . . Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills."

To the discerning eye of the Lord Jesus, the whole material world was vibrant with intimations of God whose own it is—the lilies, the harvest-laden fields, the markets where men buy and sell, and the inn by the road where an unnamed man invested his money for the relief of a fellow pilgrim. Paul speaks in his own magnificent phrases of "God that made the world and all things therein . . . giveth to all life, and breath, and all things. . . . For in him we live, and move, and have our being." The New Testament ends with a shout: "The Lord God omnipotent reigneth." All material things have a kind of sacramental value. They are visible reminders of the invisible Owner.

There is no need to argue the point that God is owner of all. Our intuitions and our reason confirm it. No one who believes in God can believe otherwise. We acknowledge this self-evident truth in many ways. On every Lord's day when the offerings of the people are reverently placed on the altar table, thousands of congregations sing,

"All things come of Thee, O Lord,
And of thine own have we given Thee."

And how lustily our people sing:

"This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget."

But we, who confess in so many ways that this is God's world and we partakers of the Father's bounty, are sometimes slow to

78 F 59 1954/55

realize how it affects our idea of personal property.

II

This is God's world. There can be no doubt of that. Since this is God's world, then "it must follow as night the day" that it is not ours. A second fundamental of the stewardship of possessions stands out crystal clear: *We are stewards of the things we for a little time possess, and accountable to Him who trusts them to our use.* This relates the stewardship of possessions to the daily life of us all.

We own no material thing: we only possess it. There is a world of difference between the two. What is our very own cannot be taken from us. Our virtues and sins, our character and destiny are ours. Though we "take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea," these are with us and none can take them from us. Not even the issue of death can transfer to another what is inherently our own.

But it is not so with our possessions, as every man knows. A change in the market, or a drought, or a cyclone may reduce a reputedly rich man to a pauper. Our possession of material things is temporary, and even then very insecure. An old Danish proverb reminds us that there are no pockets in our shroud.

There is no escape from the truth that this is our Father's world, and that one's possession of any part of it is soon ended. Legal titles are human expedients. They are indispensable to a temporal order, and in civilized society. The civil law and the strong arm of the state are defenders of our inherent right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. These include the right to possess. We are enjoined as Christians to respect and obey the laws of the state. But we must not miss the deeper truth. No title sealed by all the seals there be can bestow on any person ultimate and unending possession. In the end we must confess that God is the owner, and that we are stewards and keepers of Another's property. Above the titles which the state bestows are our obligations to Him who is Owner and Ruler of all.

III

Most of us agree without question that God is the ultimate owner of all things, and that all we have is a trust from Him. If He were not over all and if we were not accountable to Him, He would not be God. We pass to the third principle of stewardship: *The tithe is an acknowledgment of God's ownership and our stewardship of all that we possess.*

We must not miss this deeper meaning of the tithe. Good people sometimes think of it as God's share in their income. Sometimes we hear it said, "One tenth of our income belongs to God." Not one tenth, but all that we have belongs to him. "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof." The tithe is not a heavenly tax levied against our income: it is a confession of faith wrought in daily deed—a declaration by every tither that this is our Father's world and we are the responsible keepers of a life-long trust. No better plan has ever been devised to keep us conscious of the stewardship of things. The deed is the consummation of the creed.

The Old Testament doctrine of the tithe is not a piece of legalism, but a teaching of deep spiritual significance. The ancient Jews brought to the altars of God their tithes of the harvest because the fields and the harvest were the Lord's. The nine tenths that remained in their possession were his also, to be held and used for the highest good of themselves and their fellows. The relation between God's ownership and man's tithe is wonderfully portrayed in the words of David on the day when the gifts of the people for building the temple were dedicated. He said: "Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heaven . . . is thine. . . . Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name. . . . For all things come of thee, and of thine own have v given thee."

The New Testament in mar ways advances beyond the teac ings of the Old. Jesus said that had come to bring to its completi the teaching of the Law and t Prophets. Especially did he l emphasis on inward righteousne and liberty of conscience. But the is nothing in either of these th sets aside the three fundament truths, just considered, which a the essence of the doctrine of t stewardship of possession. The on recorded words of our Lord co cerning the tithe are words of e plicit approval—"These ought to have done." The complaint his enemies against him was th he disregarded their ancient law He had healed the afflicted on t Sabbath, contrary to their trad tions. But he is nowhere accus of disregarding the tithe.

The practice of the tithe has fa reaching spiritual significance. stands in contradiction to t modern heresy that this is ma world and man may do with it he will. It is an antidote to sec larism and materialism. Far fr being a remnant of ancient leg ism, the dedicated tenth is a co fession of faith and an act of wo ship, and being these it is a mea of grace.

The difference between a law a a means of grace is that a law co mands, and a means of grace ope a door of opportunity. A discer ing Christian does not bring tithe to the altars of God "grud ingly or of necessity." He brin them out of gratitude to the bou tiful Giver of all things, and recognition of his own stewardsh

So the matter ends! The doctri of the Old Testament tithe is in place in the New Testament ch lenged, disapproved, or set asi The sturdy principles that und gird it, such as God's ownership a man's stewardship, stand out bol on every page of it. Can it be th Love that bore a Cross inspires to lesser gifts than the people w knew not Christ brought to Israe altars? Let each answer at the b of his own enlightened conscien

Are You a Self-Confident Church Woman?

A TALK WITH RUTH GRAHAM

By LOUISE BONDIE, *Press Chairman, United Church Women*

Mrs. Carl F. Graham

As an active church woman, are you self-confident as you would like to Do you say "No" every time you asked to lead devotionals, to pre- at a meeting, or to introduce a aker? Mrs. Carl F. Graham has ped many church women to change "No" to "Yes."

Though Mrs. Graham, formerly of shington Avenue Methodist Church, sas City, Kansas, has been active church work all of her life, it n't until she became a member of staff of the John Robert Powers ool of Detroit, Michigan, that she ized the importance of poise and d grooming in church activities. ides being active in her own Con- gational Church, Wyandotte, Michi- , she is now president of United rch Women of the Downriver Area r Detroit; state chairman of Public ations, Radio, and TV for United rch Woman of Michigan; and -president of Detroit Advisory ncil on Educational Radio and TV. recently, Dr. G. Merrill Lenox, cutive secretary, appointed her first e chairman of Radio and TV for Michigan Council of Churches.

n an interview with Ruth in her active Wyandotte home, she said ne, "Now I can face a group with- being self-conscious. If a woman s she presents a pleasing appear- e and is standing correctly, she can forget herself and think ut her audience."

LOUISE: Ruth, you're a busy housewife with two small children. How can you find time to be well-groomed and still have so many church and community interests?

RUTH: It isn't easy, Louise, but *any* woman can learn a few guiding principles for self-improvement and then apply them to the daily routine of housework. After assessing her own proportions, she can accent the good qualities and camouflage the others.

LOUISE: But where can they start, Ruth? All of us can't take charm courses.

RUTH: With posture, Louise. The basis of an attractive woman, both in terms of beauty and good health, is good posture. To check yourself, stand against a wall without a baseboard; put heels together about two inches from the wall. If the hand can pass through the space between the middle of the back and the wall, correction is needed. Hips should be tucked under, and shoulders lifted high.

LOUISE: I'm sure many women would like to know the proper way to stand in front of a group when talking to them, Ruth.

RUTH: The correct way, Louise, is probably the easiest way, because it is an arrested motion of walking. Place the back foot, either right or left, at a forty-five-degree angle; place the front foot straight ahead, covering heel and instep of back foot. The front knee should be slightly bent, the back knee easy. Center the weight on the ball of the back foot.

LOUISE: What should she do with her hands?

RUTH: Let them fall at her side when empty, with one just enough behind her hip to be invisible from the front; while the other, or outside hand, falls with the narrow part, thumb forward, showing. When you're seated, one hand should rest in the palm of the other, both palms upward and in the lap. No adjusting of glasses! No fingering of hair or hat or face!

LOUISE: What else is necessary to make a good appearance in front of a group?

RUTH: Good grooming from head to toe! A hair style should be selected which is becoming to the face regardless of the current fashion, and arranged to stay without any further attention. (An invisible net helps a long hair-do.) Cosmetics should be chosen to enhance skin in coloring and applied subtly. Older women do well to use lighter shades in rouge and lipstick. Accessories (hats, shoes, bag, gloves, jewelry) should not be too eye-catching; rather, they should complement the costume.

To quote Helen Partridge in her booklet, *How to Make a Speech and Enjoy It,* "She should dress so that she is not conscious of any detail of her appearance, considering suitability, simplicity, fit, grooming, neckline, and back appearance. It is well to choose a costume from one's present wardrobe. If a new outfit is indicated, it should be worn more than once before the occasion so that fit, slip, straps, accessories, and all fastenings can be checked. The audience will eye a gaping placket, an unbuttoned button, to their irritation and to the speaker's distraction. Perfect fit and perfect grooming are required, chiefly because they will contribute so much to the speaker's own confidence."

Story hour for the little tots at Marcy Center, Chicago, Illinois, one of the many neighborhood houses of the Woma Division.

LOUISE: Are there really church women leaders who achieve all of these goals in good appearance and yet are good speakers as well?

RUTH: Oh, yes, many in each community! Mrs. James M. Dolbey, an outstanding Methodist woman who is acting mayor of Cincinnati, is one of the most attractive women I've ever known. She has beauty within and without. Methodist friends tell me that the president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, has unusually good taste in costume coordination for the platform, and is poise personified. Gone is the day of the dowdy church woman.

LOUISE: What, then, can the average church woman do to improve her speaking ability, Ruth?

RUTH: Very much. The basis of a good speaking voice is correct breathing, deep breathing with the diaphragm. Practice by taking a deep breath and letting it out slowly, trying to modulate so that you can count from one to fifty. This is an exercise which should be repeated each day.

LOUISE: Don't many women pitch their voices too high?

RUTH: Yes, this is a common fault. The voice should be low in order to establish good resonance and to be heard beyond the first row. Too often that which comes out sounds like what Gravel Gertie would say, rather than what a charming, poised woman wants others to hear.

LOUISE: You have covered so many points, Ruth, and now, have you a formula for "something to talk about"?

RUTH: Oh, yes! Most church women of today are informed women. We can't afford not to be. But by keeping up with current events, having an interest in community affairs, reading our denominational magazines, such as THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK, we'll know "somethi about everything and everythi about something."

LOUISE: It all sounds so ea Ruth. Why don't more wom take advantage of these helps?

RUTH: They just don't real that, if they are confident of th appearance, sure of what they going to do, and how they are go to do it, self-confidence will j naturally come. This is the sec of graciousness and charm.

LOUISE: Thank you, Ruth, these helpful suggestions. I kn they will encourage many m women to make an effort to l their self-consciousness.

RUTH: I truly hope so! Prot tant church women of Amer have *such* possibilities! We can falter or refuse to take our pla as leaders merely because we l self-confidence. We must put faith in God, and then we shall h faith in ourselves!

Who Is My Neighbor?

By JOHN McDOWELL

YOU will recall that Jesus responded to this question with the story of the Good Samari-n. It was the Samaritan, hated ough he was by Jews, who was good neighbor because he gave p when help was desperately eded, in spite of differences of th and nationality.

The Woman's Division of Chris-n Service is "neighbor" in the ne sense, to thousands of families cities, large and small, through-the United States. The settle-nt houses, Wesley Houses and thlehem Centers, and centers led by other names have been ping people in urban areas for ny years.

What is a "Neighborhood ouse"? It is a center devoted improving neighborhood life and ing conditions. Neighborhoods important because they are the ting in which children grow up. ighborhood conditions of hous-, law enforcement, health, and itation affect family life which st directly influences the grow--up process. Good family life much more difficult to achieve crowded living conditions, where isocial gangs lure susceptible ng people into undesirable ac-ities, where teachers and police cials look on their assignment as Siberia from which they would e to escape. The settlement se helps to create a more whole-ne environment for family life. This center furnishes a place ere all members of families can d something constructive to do their leisure hours. It is not ited by purpose or philosophy serving one age or sex group. ildren and youth are the most cious product of a community, d therefore any neighborhood-ving agency is concerned to see t their needs are met.

Neighborhood houses grew out the same social ideals as the settlement movement which was launched by a Church of England clergyman in East London in 1884. These ideals were dedicated, among other things, to providing a center where individuals, whatever their age, sex, race, creed, social or economic status, could come as human beings to work or study or play together. The neighborhood house was seen as "common ground" where differences were not ignored, but where common needs and interests brought people together across all the barriers that often divide man from man. Providing a "common ground" does not mean being "neutral" in faith or moral standards or social ideals, but it does require a staff of workers who genuinely accept all people as individuals of worth and dignity, as children of God.

How is neighborhood life improved? Neighborhood and community center workers try to create a sense of neighborliness. They operate on the assumption that if circumstances of life have brought families into geographical proximity, individual and family life will be enriched if they feel and behave as neighbors rather than as unrelated strangers. This neighborhood feeling is developed by bringing people of all ages together to do something they enjoy doing. Out of these happy experiences grow neighborly attitudes.

In groups such as clubs, classes, and teams, people learn to take responsibility for democratic decision-making, and for helping the group as a whole to be successful and happy. In the simple community of the group, social responsibility and ways of working with other people are learned. These attitudes and skills can then be practiced to good advantage in the larger community of the neighborhood, city, state, and nation.

The neighborhood house worker also helps organizations which people have established in the community to meet social, religious, and cultural needs. The kind of help each organization needs and will use is different. A veterans' organization may want only a place to meet temporarily. A church may want training in recreation skills for its advisors to youth groups. A social club wants advice on parliamentary procedure. The P.T.A. wants guidance for its committee on recreation. A healthy neighborhood is one whose organizations are strong and effective in carrying out their programs, and are cooperative in working with other organizations for the good of the community. The neighborhood house through action of its board or staff may be the catalytic agent enabling organizations to work together on a common problem.

What do neighborhood houses do for the church or denomination? Neighborhood and settlement houses keep alert the social conscience of Woman's Societies and churches that sponsor them. They bring the church with its dedication to service of God and mankind close to the everyday life of people. They are the church's hand outstretched to help those who need the milk of human kindness and the bread of friendship. They serve not so much through formal or ritualistic expressions of faith, but through the Good Samaritan's way of giving help when and where needed.

Nothing breaks down barriers between people so effectively as working together for a common goal. In the neighborhood center, settlement house, or community center, members of supporting churches and neighborhood people can work together for better living conditions for the disadvantaged, and can achieve as well a fellowship that is beyond price.

Mission Schools Have a Mission

By MARIAN DERBY

ANYONE visiting the busy modern cities of the Latin-American countries might be surprised to know that it is in cities like these that our Methodist mission schools are located. If he were to talk with many of the cultured, well-informed people in government circles, or those directly related with the educational system and learn of the compulsory school attendance laws, of the increasing rate of literacy, of the government efforts to provide schools for all, he might question even more the need of our Methodist schools. A visit to any one of these schools, however, would be a convincing answer to these questions.

Housed in beautiful, substantial buildings, with bright, sunny classrooms, well-equipped laboratories, and other essentials for modern education, these schools might not fit the picture of the "mission" school as imagined by many missionary-minded Methodists. Possibly their confusion would only be increased if they were to see the neat, well-dressed students, many of them coming from the comfortable homes of leaders in the professional and business world. The words "mission school" would hardly seem adequate to describe these academically superior, socially accepted, largely self-supporting schools.

Yet mission schools they are in the true meaning of the word, for they surely have a mission to perform. They have a mission first of all to their students. The fact that they are economically able to pay for their education does not mean that the students are any the less needy, when we consider the essentials our schools have to give them.

These include not only the knowledge which comes from the formal classroom situation, where well-prepared teachers help students find the answers to their questions and relate them to their own living; they include not only an emphasis on health and physical well-being for themselves and others, an awareness of the needs of those about them, and their own personal responsibilities in the face of these needs. But also in addition to these specifics, and really fundamental to each, is the basic need for a Christian understanding of life and of God and of one's relation to Him. The students are not necessarily aware of this need. In fact, they are sometimes quite antagonistic toward the emphasis which is given in the formal classroom presentation, in the Bible class, or in the chapel services. Missionaries have sometimes found that it is more possible to influence students in their religious thinking in the public schools in the United States than in a Methodist school in another land where so many of the students come from completely nonreligious or antireligious homes.

The lighting of a candle in a chapel service symbolizes the Christian understanding of life and of God and of one's dedication to Him

One needs to understand this in order to see not only the difficulties but the possibilities in our mission schools. The religious education classes are well organized and taught by people who are especially prepared in that field. But of much more influence in the lives of the students is the personal example of their literature, science, or history teachers—their Christian attitudes, their patience and understanding in dividuals and with class problems as they arise.

But our responsibility is not only to the students. We also have a mission to their parents. In a private school where a fairly high rate of tuition is charged, parents are likely to feel keenly interested in the development of their children and to request opportunities for talking with the teachers. A good many of the children come from broken homes, and there are often opportunities for counseling with mothers or fathers or both in connection with the problems which their children are facing. Again there is a wonderful opportunity for witnessing to one's personal faith, and for showing by one's attitude what that faith means in the way of personal living.

And we have a mission to the

(*Continued on page 38*)

Wondering how long "Customs" will ake is Maria Vorosmarthy, with other members of the family

Will You Open the Door?

By ELIZABETH M. LEE

THESE children, with their parents, sit at the door of freedom. After weary years f waiting in Europe, they are now sitting out" the last wait—until customs officer inspects their ulging baggage. Somewhere, out n the pier, Christian friends stand eady to welcome them. The Church World Service tag on Maria's coat indicates that this efugee family had finally arrived ecause, months earlier, some congregation or some individual church ember sent word to CWS through denomination: "Here is an assurnce for the Vorosmarthy family." o they crossed the Atlantic and rrived at the door of freedom.

Today 5,000 such homeless peole are waiting around the world or the welcome word that some Methodists in America have said *f them,* "Here is an assurance for . ." Without that assurance, none f these homeless ones has any hance of entering the United tates. Our government has said o the churches, "We will provide e visas IF YOU will sponsor ese people." The Methodist hurch has pledged sponsorships or 5,000 of the 214,000 who may ome in on nonquota visas under e 1953 Refugee Relief Act.

Time is of the essence. This act will expire in December, 1956. Because of the extended screening process required before a refugee becomes eligible for a visa, months will elapse between the giving of an assurance and the arrival of the refugee family. THE METHODIST COMMITTEE FOR OVERSEAS RELIEF NEEDS ASSURANCES NOW. A year from now may be too late for those who wait.

To become a sponsor, assurance must be given that a home and a job will be arranged. MCOR provides assurance forms with detailed instructions concerning their use. In the process of welcoming refugees, sponsorship means a real venture in good neighborliness as Methodist people help these homeless friends to feel at home in the strange American environment. It is not alone a giving process. These liberty-loving people, who have withstood oppression and overcome hardships in slave-labor camps, have something to give us. Aside from being an example of devotion to freedom, they can share with us their European culture.

The Methodist Church in Cranford, New Jersey, is not large, but it sponsored fifteen persons under the Displaced Persons Act. Today these four families are independent, worthy members of that community, and on their way to becoming bona-fide citizens of the United States. Two of these families came out of Russia. Their faith was Orthodox. On the first Sunday after their arrival, Methodist sponsors offered to drive them to a Russian Orthodox church some miles distant. The grateful newcomers replied, "Your church is our church. God is one. We can pray and worship here the same as anywhere." In 1954 they are proudly contributing to the financial campaign for a new Methodist church in Cranford.

The chairman of the committee that arranged for sponsorships explained, "In becoming sponsors, our church group had no special qualifications. There was just strong faith, the will to help, friendship, and cooperation. As each situation arose, it was handled as seemed best. The result was an educating and rewarding experience which we now hope others may enjoy."

Waldemar Selinski, from the Ukraine, was one of the newcomers. His first letter to MCOR testified, "I am obliged to say, although I am already thirty-eight years old, that in my whole life I have never yet experienced so much kindness and care as people have shown my wife and little son and me during the first two days of our sojourn in America. . . . We keep wiping tears of joy and gratitude from our eyes."

MCOR looks to Methodist women to lead in this humanitarian venture which must be finished in the next two and a half years. The Woman's Division of Christian Service was the first organization in our church to endorse this program officially. All members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service are urged personally to help create active interest in refugee resettlement in their local churches and communities, and to help secure sponsors for the 5,000 refugees. Most of all, when the long wait is over and the newcomers arrive at the door of freedom, it will be the privilege of Methodist women to assist in welcoming them into the church and the community and in guiding them in the ways of citizenship in our free land.

Note: For further information, write Miss Elizabeth M. Lee, 150 Fifth Avenue., New York 11, N. Y.

Nurse Barbara Dunker with a convalescent in the school infirmary, Farmington, New Mexico

School Nurse

By BARBARA DUNKER

MY WORK is at the Navajo Methodist Mission School in Farmington, New Mexico, where I am a registered nurse in charge of the school infirmary. Ours is a boarding school with an enrollment this year of 190 children from the ages of six to twenty years.

The Navajos are the largest tribe of the American Indians, numbering 65,000, with an area of 25,000 square miles allotted to them. While their death rate is high, the birth rate is more than twice that of the rest of the country—so this tribe continues to increase. Many of the children suffer from malnutrition and disease, and one out of four dies before reaching five years of age. The rate of tuberculosis is very high among the Navajo people, and in our school alone one fourth of the children are known to have had direct contact with TB through some member of the family or have had it themselves. So it takes a lot of vitamins and good food to combat all this. We can see the children improve mentally, too, as their physical health improves.

Some years I have been able to make regular trips to certain places on the reservation to give out medicines to the adult Navajos. One Sunday a short time before Christmas, I went with our missionary to our out-station at Bisti where we have fifty-five children in school, through the third grade. That day I gave flu shots to the youngsters, hoping to avert an epidemic of flu. Following the church service I gave out medicines to the adult Navajos who had come, and had enough of the vaccine left that I could offer it to any of the adults who wanted it. Each one of them willingly bared an arm for the shot without being urged or coaxed. They are glad to receive whatever help we can offer them—but there are so many who still turn to the medicine man in times of sickness. So many still walk in darkness, and only the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ can change that darkness into light.

Education is another great need among the Navajos. Great numbers of this tribe are still illiterate. Recent figures showed that less than half of the children of school age were in school. They need Christ and they need an education —but not just a few years of schooling, enough to be able to talk a little English. They need education on through the upper grades and high school, which our school includes.

We want to be able to take more in our school, and to have room enough to take in all the children who complete the third grade at our Bisti School. Our aim is to build another boys' dormitory, do some repair work on present buildings, and remodel and add on to our school building for increased facilities. (The new boys' dormitory was voted in January, 1954.)

There is a government school thirty miles from us where they have been building a fine new high school to supplement their grade school. This new high school is not to be completed as such, but converted to accommodate school children from the ages of six to twelve years. This makes our need for expansion all the more imperative —to have room to educate more young people up to and through high school—and to be able to lead more young Navajos to Christ and train them as Christian leaders among their people.

Vehicles are an important item in our work. Anyone who has ridden over the desolate areas of the reservation will realize how hard it is to keep a car in repair out there, and also that you can't get around with just any kind of car. On some of the roads around Bisti, which is in an isolated area thirty-five miles from Farmington, you can easily get stuck in sand or mud (depending on the weather) and then spend hours digging out. The jeep station wagon has proved to be a very valuable vehicle for such roads. A new jeep is meeting a very real need at Bisti.

Some of you have heard about the well at Bisti. When the school was started, shallow wells supplied the water need, but to enlarge and develop the school a more adequate supply is necessary. Good wells vary from 300 to 2,000 feet in depth. A new well is now being drilled but even though they have gone below 500 feet, no water has been reached.

As these needs are met, we, your missionaries, can more effectively carry the Water of Life to these needy first Americans.

MISSIONARY Briefs

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Through Conversation
Through Letters
Through Programs

FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF WORK IN FOREIGN AND HOME FIELDS

NEW WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

Amarillo, Texas

The new Wesley Community Center in Amarillo, Texas, answers the dream of a quarter of a century for one Amarillo woman, and for hundreds of the city's Spanish-American citizens it fulfills a long-felt need. More than any other person, Mrs. M. P. Fields was the guiding spirit behind this center. She is a native of Argentina and knows the needs of Spanish-speaking people in an English-speaking country.

Because one of the prime functions of any community center is to teach people to help themselves, to create a desire for better things and for more beautiful surroundings, no draperies or curtains were hung when the center was opened last October. Now the women's sewing group is ready to make curtains from materials bought with money they have earned by giving chili suppers and other projects. This sewing group follows the meeting of the English-speaking class for adults that is taught weekly by a competent volunteer teacher and assistant. Twenty-four women are in the English and sewing group. A self-governing body, the Spanish-speaking women ruled that only English would be spoken during sewing hours. They then requested a regular social evening, when the adults could "just talk and not think!"

Neighborhood children fascinated by a storybook at the Wesley Community Center, Amarillo, Texas

Thirty boys and girls are now enrolled in the Mexico Club. A group from the first three grades of school, they play games, engage in crafts, sing, work out plans under the direction of Deaconess Helen Osborne and three volunteer helpers. This group also ruled, "Only English spoken here."

A weekly recreation period for boys and girls of all ages brings around forty to the center for wholesome fun. The girls' sewing group is progressing rapidly. An interest group for girls from twelve to fifteen years of age works out its own program. An evening Teen Town for older boys and girls is now functioning. This Teen Town is sponsored by a young adult class of a local church and provides games, crafts, and the all-important snack bar. Plans are being made for Boy Scout troops, a well-baby clinic, and a prenatal clinic.

Like all Wesley Houses, this one is not a charitable organization. A small annual fee is collected from those who attend. The workers often help the children or adults to earn the fee, but this plan helps them to help themselves.

DEACONESS WORK

Northeastern Jurisdiction

This has been a year of challenge and inspiration . . . a challenge to be a true friend, an alert observer, a careful interpreter, and an enthusiastic promoter of all deaconesses and their work . . . inspiration that comes from direct contact with the work and the worker in the home field of this jurisdiction.

At the annual meeting of the jurisdiction, ten types of deaconess work were presented. Supplementing this, the afternoon progressive teas featured simultaneously five groups of home and foreign workers. This enabled the women in attendance to see and hear at close range many more workers than the program time would permit.

We arrange for deaconesses to attend jurisdiction summer school as guest resource persons. Most conference schools have deaconesses on the program and as guests. —*Excerpts from the report of* Mrs. Forrest A. Goodrich, *Jurisdiction Secretary of Home Work*

LATIN AMERICA

New Helps for Spanish American Sunday Schools

It is never easy to find capable Sunday school teachers, even though we have all kinds of curriculum materials and helps to offer them. When we have little or nothing to give them as aids in their teaching, this becomes a much more difficult problem and even the

most willing and consecrated teachers become discouraged. This has been the case for many years now in most of our Sunday schools in Spanish-speaking Latin America. But a new era is in sight.

For five years—ever since the Conference on Curriculum for Spanish America held in Buenos Aires in 1949—leaders in the field of Christian education have been at work on the new materials. The first text, with complete plans for the preschool age group, is now off the press and the others will be following in rapid succession. In a prayer of dedication at the time of presenting the new book, Dr. Baez Camargo gave thanks for those who helped in the original planning, for those who did the actual writing, for others who did the final editing, for the many who gave the money to make it possible, and for those who worked at the more humble task of doing the printing. All who are interested in the program of Christian education—pastors, missionaries, teachers, parents—will enthusiastically join in that prayer of thanksgiving.

Crandon Institute in Montevideo, Uruguay, started the school year with a three-day teachers' retreat held the week before classes began. Bishop Enrique C. Balloch led the devotions each morning. D. B. Foster Stockwell, president of the Union Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires, spoke at two sessions. Topics discussed were "Social and Cultural Factors Which Influence the Conduct of Our Students," "Problems of Conduct Among Our Students and Our Attitudes Toward Them," "Attitudes of Our Students Toward the Religious Teachings Given at the School and How We Should Meet them."

The school reports a total enrollment of 1,086, and a teaching staff of sixty-nine full and part-time teachers. Twenty-eight of these are Crandon graduates.

SOCIAL WORKER WITH THE CHINESE

It is very interesting to watch what is happening in this project in San Francisco. There are four night classes at present. We divided one class, as it was too large for the individual work we wanted to do. Recently I have had a number of calls for teachers in the home with several new students attaching themselves to classes already in a home. And so the teacher has a "split" class—women with different levels of learning. That group is hard to handle, but the teachers are never daunted but carry on with notable success.

Last week a publicly advertised health program on cancer with a Chinese interpreter, sponsored by the YWCA, was well attended by the Chinese war "wives" in Chinatown—over 700 there, husbands baby-sitting while their wives attended. These women are beginning to "come alive" and take part in programs of interest to them. This English-teaching project has surely been an element in the forces at work, encouraging these Chinese mothers to take more interest in community life.—Ruth Gress

KOREA

We received the joyful news that on April 17, 1954, Pai Wha School in Seoul was returned to the school by the 8th Army officials. It was an important and impressive ceremony. Students, faculty, board members, and guests of Pai Wha Girls' High School assembled in front of their main building to formally receive the school. The vacating United States unit men stood in military formation, with other participants, for the service. Col. Kammerer spoke and said, *In the process of military operations in Korea, it became necessary for the 8th Army to occupy and use Pai Wha Girls' School. We are keenly aware of the inconveniences this has caused, and we rejoice that today it is possible to return the school to its rightful occupants. We want to express appreciation for the fine spirit of cooperation and understanding we have found in Mrs. Chun, principal of the school. It gives us great joy to know that the 1,200 girls will now return to their own campus and these buildings, with more adequate facilities to pursue their education and prepare for useful citizenship.*

The band played the American national anthem. Americans and Koreans together stood at attention as the American flag was lowered and taken down. Then the band played the Korean national anthem and two Pai Wha girls began slowly to unfurl and raise the Korean flag. Another milestone in Pai Wha's history has been reached.

FLOOD DISASTER

Holding Institute, Laredo, Texas, was ruined by the recent flood on the Rio Grande. Nine of the twelve buildings were completely demolished, and the remaining three stand as shells.

The institute is a grade and high school of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, administered under the Bureau of Educational Institutions. It was founded in 1880, and, while pupils of many nationalities have enrolled, it has been primarily for Mexican youth.

Plagued by other floods, the institute was to be moved to a site purchased in 1950. However, hope followed hope that two dams above Laredo would be built under the plan of the International Boundaries Commission. This most recent flood will doubtless hasten the building of these dams.

An informal meeting was called for July 9 in New York City to consider future plans for the institute. Those who participated included the superintendent, Mr. Anton Deschner; Rev. Ted Leonard, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Laredo; Rev. Alfredo Nanez, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the Rio Grande Conference; and representatives of the Department of Work in Home Fields, of the Advisory Committee of the Bureau of Educational Institutions, of the Section of Education and Cultivation, and of the Editorial Board. Various plans were considered, but it is too soon at this time to determine what procedure will be followed.

Muriel Day, ***Executive Secretary Bureau of Educational Institutions***

Pupils at Bisti School, thirty miles south of Farmington, New Mexico. When they complete the third grade, they would like to continue their education at the Navajo Methodist Mission School

WESLEY GROUP VISITS METHODIST NAVAJO MISSION

A group of twelve students from Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico, visited the Navajo Methodist Mission School at Farmington, New Mexico. It was an exhilarating and inspiring experience. We learned that once an Indian is converted and gives his life completely to Christ, there is not a more sincere or more genuine Christian to be found. They have been deprived of many privileges, and Christianity seems to be their one ray of hope.

We were taken on a tour of the campus and found the dormitory rooms were clean and dapper. All the girls in each of the different grades live in one big room. They love their school and the Christian atmosphere. This is evidenced by the many pictures of Christ, many of them depicting Him as the good shepherd. They especially like this picture; there is more meaning in it for them since many of them are shepherds.

The mission maintains its own farm, which is adjacent to the campus. They raise their own vegetables and run a dairy herd which produces all the milk.

We attended church Sunday morning in the lovely Ryder Memorial Chapel. The boys' choir was very good. This service was very similar to our own. That afternoon we drove to another mission school called Bisti, about thirty miles out in the hills. Here the service was held in the schoolroom. The Indians wore their native dress of velveteen and satin, with their usual turquoise and silver jewelry. We saw several papooses. The children gave a program on the history of the mission school and sang several hymns in English. The missionary minister preached his sermon, through a Navajo interpreter. The older people sang the hymns in Navajo. We tried singing with them.

The Indians are a very appealing and lovable people. We all came back to our work with more understanding and tolerance in our hearts for the Indian race. As a result of this trip and the experiences, one of our students has decided to prepare herself to be a missionary-teacher.

—Sheri Rae Mathis

BURMA

Dedication of the Woman's Division Residence for Missionary and Bible Women

Talk: Mrs. M. A. Clare (*former Woman's Foreign Missionary Society missionary; wedding reception held here; daughter born here*).

Miss Hazel Winslow: To dedicate a home means to set it aside for special uses. It means that as we meet here today, we have a spirit of anticipation, looking forward to many special experiences which will take place in this home. We want this place truly to become what God would have it—a dwelling place to be set aside for shelter, fellowship, service, and sanctuary for all peoples of whatever race, class, or condition who may need it.

Mrs. Hollister (*chief planner on Building Committee*): Ideally a home should be more than a blood group, more than a household. It is a way of living. At best it is a tiny, individual solution of our one great problem of living together by love; so may it be here. We have all known homes where there was no family circle as such, or an incomplete one, which still were dedicated places of shared happiness, sympathy, understanding, and prayer.

Peace be to this house. "Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth God."

U On Kin (*Burmese District Superintendent*): In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we dedicate this home to the glory of God, committing to His care all who for longer or shorter periods may dwell herein, remembering especially also those who serve therein.

Mrs. Thangaraj (*wife of Tamil pastor*): We dedicate this home to all friendly hospitalities, to courage, patience, and self-control which make life cheerful and serene.

Miss Maurine Cavett: We dedicate this home to all beautiful things of heart and mind, that lead

the soul to wider vision and to higher aims.

DAW NGWE YONE (*Burmese Bible woman*): We dedicate this home to happiness, holiness, hopefulness, helpfulness, and health of body, mind, and soul, that it may ever be to those who dwell herein a dear haven of peace and joy.

ALL THE SPEAKERS (*in unison*):

Bless the four corners of this house,
And be the lintel blest;
And bless the hearth, and bless the board,
And bless each place of rest;
And bless the door that opens wide
To stranger, as to kin;
And bless each crystal windowpane
That lets the starlight in;
And bless the rooftree overhead,
And every sturdy wall.
The peace of man, the peace of God,
The peace of love on all.[1]

HYMN: "Happy the Home" (*The Methodist Hymnal*, No. 428, first, third, and fourth stanzas).

GLORIA PATRI

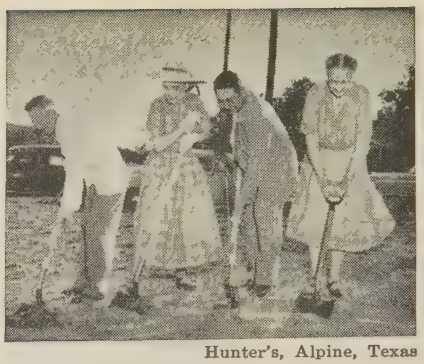
CLOSING PRAYER (*in unison*): O Lord, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, of Thy great mercy, grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

A READERS' COUNT

This is Stewardship Year. At the request of Mrs. J. W. Bunch, chairman of the Standing Committee on Spiritual Life, Bishop Costen J. Harrell wrote the article, "Should a Christian Tithe?" which appears on pages 3 and 4. Mrs. Bunch is asking local secretaries of Spiritual Life to promote the reading of this message. This may be done in various ways but please keep a count of the readers, for the Editor would appreciate a post card from every local secretary of Spiritual Life stating the number of women who have read the article.

Send your readers' count by December 1, 1954, to Mrs. C. A. Meeker, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York.

[1] By Arthur Guiterman. Used by permission of E. P. Dutton and Company, New York.



Hunter's, Alpine, Texas

GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY

Community Center, Alpine, Texas

On May 15, a block of land in Alpine, Texas, became the setting for an event thus far unparalleled in the town's history, when a hundred people gathered to break the ground for a building. This building, which will cost nearly $90,000.00, the gift of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, will house the nineteen-year-old institution known as the Alpine Community Center.

Dr. C. B. Casey, chairman of the program committee, introduced Mrs. George W. Baines, founder and chairman of the center for its nineteen years, who broke the first ground as she said: "Representing the Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church, I now turn this first shovel of earth toward the construction of the Alpine Community Center building, and may God bless this house."

The amazing part of the ground-breaking was the wholehearted support of all sixteen service clubs, church organizations, and war veterans of the town. A representative of each followed the trustees, the county judge, and the mayor in turning a shovel of earth.

What this structure will mean to the people of Alpine is beyond estimate. Only eternity will reveal its worth in character development, in the breaking down of race prejudice, in the happiness brought to the barren lives of innumerable children and their parents. Since happiness is conducive to goodness, it can be said that the town of Alpine will be a better place because of the community center building.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA, AFRICA

Dear Friends:

Our newest completed project, the school library, has thrilled us all, both staff and students. The other day our African minister was in, and immediately sat down with some of the children's books, as pleased as he could be. The books which many of you sent have been a wonderful contribution to our school. We have had four museum cases with curios from other countries, as well as a collection of African handicraft. These we moved into our library room, making it an even more attractive center.

We have a new matron for our girls. Her husband died about a year ago, leaving her with four small children. According to African law, the widow is inherited by her husband's brothers because of the bride-price which her husband paid upon their marriage. In this case, it meant that this mother would have to be a second wife, which she has refused to do. She is a member of our Woman's Society and a fine Christian woman, accepting the standards of the church. She has been through a very difficult time but has "stood her ground."

We were very happy to be able to give her employment at the mission, where she has come with three of her children. The girls love her already and have accepted her wholeheartedly. It is good to have the little children here. The girls love to take care of them in their free time. Very often one sees the tiny infant on the back of one of the school girls, or the three-year-old tagging along with some of the older ones.

—MARGUERITE DEYO

And Speaking of Reporting . . .

Are Four a Year Too Many? What Value Do Reports Have? What Do They Do For You?

By DORCAS HALL AND MAUDE WHITE HARDIE

NO THEME is guaranteed to wake up even the sleepiest meeting more effectively than reports. Let interest begin to lag and members start taking furtive peeps at their wrist watches—and the word "Report" is electric in its charge. On all lines: local, district, conference, jurisdiction. And reluctant as we are to admit it, the "voice of the people" will probably be on the side "agin it." The valiant voice of the secretary of Promotion may be lifted in defense of these quarterly institutions; and since she knows the hard work they entail, her defense is worth listening to! The president will probably support her—yes, and the treasurer —and here and there another. But, in the main, reporting every three months is not popular.

Now, The Methodist Church is a democratic organization, and the Woman's Society of Christian Service is a democratic organization within that church. Nothing has been put over on us by any group anxious to dominate. Let that be clear. Also let it be clear that just because a thing has been of value, it does not automatically continue to be so. Times change, people change; and every so often it is well to stop and rethink a thing which has been a source of such lively difference of opinion.

The last time the question of fewer reports was brought up for vote by the Woman's Division, it was the conference presidents who spoke most strongly in favor of continuing on the quarterly basis; and their opinion resulted in the vote that we go on as before. They were not unanimous in their expression, but they were near enough of one mind to carry weight; and it reflects the spirit of democracy that the members of the Woman's Division were guided by this expression, since conference presidents presumably know their own women's attitudes.

Next, the very size of the Woman's Society makes necessary an insistence on detail. Any organization approaching two million in its membership must have system, or it will likely find itself in a vast confusion. You do not need a compass in a rowboat, but an ocean liner is a different matter. Also with a mobile population such as the United States has at present, system is needed. Women move from one locality to another; memberships must be transferred; new contacts must be established; the local group must be alerted, that the all-important values of human personality shall not be lost.

Reports might be regarded as antennae, feelers put out to sense the reactions of the local groups—over 30,000 of them across the country—to the plans and programs. A popular poll would be unwieldy but a careful stock-taking every three months reveals trends, which need to be—and are—taken seriously.

So much for the values behind quarterly reporting from the viewpoint of overhead organization. But how about it in the local Society? May we assume that before criticisms are offered, the present plan is given a fair trial: that at an officers' training day each officer and secretary of lines of work will have her own report blank explained to her; that before the first of September, December, March, and June the executive committee will come together and make out their reports as a group, thus entering uniform figures and synchronizing facts?

If after this anyone finds questions which she does not understand, the district secretary of her line of work will be happy to help her. If the questions are not clear, this should be called to the attention of the district secretary of Promotion for rethinking and possible revision for the next quadrennium. The report blanks are prepared and revised by the standing committees of the various lines of work; you will find these women listed in the first pages of the *Annual Report,* and you will see that the jurisdiction secretary is in every case a member. Thus the local Society is represented.

Do we hear a plaintive wail, "But they come around so frequently—reports. I only just sent in the *last* one"? Yes, that is the way life is: each getting-up in the morning follows all too closely sometimes each going-to-bed at night. Three meals a day come in rapid succession, from the viewpoint of the homemaker preparing them. The dentist suggests a three- or six-months' periodic visit, and we are urged to have a physical check-up once a year. Life is a business of keeping everlastingly at it. If we ask "Is it easy?" the answer is definitely "No." But if we ask if it contributes to growth, and is essential to an ordered plan, and worth the effort that it takes, we believe the "Ayes" have it. Think it over—and see if you don't find yourself on this majority side.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEARS ENDING MAY 31, 1954 and MAY 31, 1953

	1954	1953	Increase or Decrease*
Income on Appropriations	$7,763,487.49	$7,156,447.51	$607,039.98
Expenditures on Appropriations	6,256,289.09	5,595,319.03	660,970.06
Excess Income over Expenditures	$1,507,198.40	$1,561,128.48	$ 53,930.08*

The increase in income on Appropriations, $607,039.98, is an 8.48% increase.

The Week of Prayer and Self Denial Offering for the year June 1, 1953-May 31, 1954, was $463,571.03, $4,925.07 less than last year. Cash for Supply Work for the year amounted to $787,316.32, an increase of $95,924.46 over last year—HENRIETTA GIBSON, Treasurer

Women Look Toward Cleveland

By EDWARD D. STAPLES

LEADERS in the Woman's Division have assisted in the planning of the Second National Conference on Family Life of The Methodist Church. Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, Miss Thelma Stevens, and Mrs. Charles E. Wegner of St. Paul represent the Woman's Division on the planning committee upon which are representatives of eight boards and commissions of the church.

Three thousand parents of children and youth will gather at Cleveland, Ohio, October 8-10, to discuss their common problems. Outstanding leaders of the church and specialists in the field of family life have been selected to bring the major addresses at this conference. The conference was authorized by the General Conference of The Methodist Church at San Francisco. Bishop Hazen G. Werner of the Ohio Area has been selected as chairman for the conference. He has been interested in the field of family life for many years, and has been much in demand for conferences of ministers on counseling. Before becoming bishop, he taught courses on family life and counseling at Drew University, Madison, New Jersey.

In order that the conference might grow out of the needs of families, a questionnaire was sent out about a year ago to 5,400 persons. This questionnaire revealed five major areas of concern about which the conference will be built as follows:

1. **The Family Develops Its Spiritual Life**
2. **Achieving a Mature Life Within the Family**
3. **The Family and Community Affecting Each Other**
4. **The Family Facing Its World Responsibility**
5. **The Family and the Church Working Together**

Pre-Conference Studies

In eighty-one annual conferences there have been study groups working upon these themes. Each group was assigned one of the five topics and has approached it in many different ways. Some have tried to discover community influences on family life through questionnaires and study classes. Others have interviewed persons who are doing a good job of teaching religion in the home, or who are developing world-minded citizens. In several annual conferences, questionnaires have been circulated to discover the type of teaching that was going on in the homes of Methodists. Some of the findings of these groups will influence annual conference programs in the field of family life. Other studies will strengthen local churches in the work which they are doing to serve families. All of the results will be brought together as background material, from which a study document is being prepared to be sent to the delegates next fall before they come to the National Conference on Family Life.

The following persons have prepared the material to be sent to delegates:

Dr. John T. Greene, Professor of Sociology and Marriage Guidance at Boston University, will be the consultant for Group I, *The Family Develops Its Spiritual Life.*

Dr. Sylvanus M. Duvall, Professor of Social Sciences and Religion, George Williams College, will be the consultant for Group II, *Achieving a Mature Life Within the Family.*

The consultant for Group III, *The Family and Community Affecting Each Other,* will be Dr. Mildred Morgan, Department of Home and Family Life, Florida State University.

Group IV, *The Family Facing Its World Responsibility,* will have as its resource person, Dr. David R. Mace, Professor of Human Relations, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey.

The section on *The Family and the Church Working Together* will have as its consultant Dr. George A. Warmer, Jr., Pastor of First Methodist Church, Oakland, California. Dr. Warmer is also one of the major speakers before the conference as a whole.

Work Group Leaders

There will be twenty-five work groups for parents in the Conference on Family Life, and also a discussion group for ministers. The following persons will lead the discussion groups:

Russell E. Bayliff, Department of Sociology, Ohio Wesleyan University

Ralph C. Bridgeman, Chief Marriage Counselor, County of Lucas, Toledo, Ohio

E. Clayton Calhoun, Pastor, Riverside Methodist Church, Miami, Florida

W. Clark Ellzey, Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri

James K. Gladden, Department of Sociology, University of Kentucky

Mrs. Clarence H. Hamilton, author of *Doorways to a Happy Home*

W. Neill Hart, Pastor, First Methodist Church, El Dorado, Arkansas

Gerald B. Harvey, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, Southern California-Arizona Conference

Robert J. Havighurst, Professor of Education, University of Chicago

J. R. Henderson, Professor of Sociology, Union College, Barbourville, Kentucky

Mrs. Frances Dunlop Heron, Home Editor, *The Christian Advocate*

Mary Alice Jones, Director, Department of Christian Education of Children, Board of Education of The Methodist Church

Emma Jane Kramer, Director of Christian Education, First Methodist Church, Montgomery, Alabama

Mary Edna Lloyd, Editor, Children's Publications of The Methodist Church

Paul B. Maves, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey

Donald M. Maynard, Professor of Religious Education, Boston University, School of Theology

Esther L. Middlewood, Director Mental Health Education, State of Michigan

Theodore Pavlidis, Pastor, Methodist Church, Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania

Sheldon Rahn, Social Service Department, Detroit Council of Churches

Walter T. Ratcliffe, Pastor, Richmond Avenue Methodist Church, Buffalo, New York

John D. Rozeboom, Associate Pastor, Trinity Methodist Church, Highland Park, Michigan

C. Leon Smith, Pastor, Methodist Church, Roswell, Georgia

Virginia Stafford, Department of Christian Education of Adults, Board of Education of The Methodist Church

Emily L. Stogdill, Department of Psychology, Ohio State University

Edwin F. Tewksbury, Joint Department of Missionary Education of The Methodist Church

The five major work sections will each be broken down into five groups:

A. Young couples without children

B. Parents of preschool children

C. Parents of grade-school children

D. Parents of youth

E. Families with three generations

A special group for ministers on Planning a Church Family Life Program will be led by Dr. Richard C. Lentz, Director, Department of Family Life, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A.

The conference will begin on Friday afternoon, October 8, with a Communion service at which Bishop Werner will preside. Bishop J. Bromley Oxnam of Washington will bring the keynote address on the theme of the conference, "The Christian Family, the Hope of the World." Friday evening a special dramatic presentation has been prepared, and the well-known lecturers, Dr. and Mrs. Harry A. Overstreet, will speak on the subject, "Achieving a Mature Life Within the Family." There are few couples in the United States who can make a dual presentation as can the Overstreets. Saturday morning Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland will bring the devotional message, and Mrs. Douglas Horton, formerly head of the woman's division of the United States Naval Reserve, will bring the major address on "The Community Influences the Family."

A feature of the Saturday evening session will be a panel on television in the home. Dr. Robert Goodrich of Dallas, Texas, who takes the part of the minister in the radio broadcast, "The Pastor"; Dr. Wilbur Blume of the Cinema Department of the University of Southern California; Dr. Evelyn M. Duvall, noted author and lecturer; and Miss Judith Waller of the National Broadcasting Company will be the resource persons on the panel. The moderator will be Mr. Charles R. Day, news commentator on station WGAR, Cleveland, Ohio.

Another outstanding speaker will be Norman Cousins, editor of *The Saturday Review of Literature*. He is a world traveler and is very much in demand for public addresses.

Sunday, October 10, there will be a worship service at which Dr. George A. Warmer, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist Church, Oakland, California, will bring the message on "The Family Works Through the Church."

The conference will close with an afternoon program at which Dr. Marshall Steel will deliver the address on "The Family Developing Its Spiritual Life." The commitment service will be led by Bishop Werner.

It is anticipated that there will be delegates present from every state in the Union, and from many of the mission stations around the world. The primary purpose of the conference is for the inspiration of those who attend. However, it is hoped that echo meetings will be held in annual conferences, districts, and subdistricts. During the summer months, young adult groups across the church focused attention upon the family, and in November the major action project of the Youth Emphasis will be in the field of youth and their relationship to the family. Parents' groups in local churches will be urged to discuss problems of adolescents during this period. There will be district and subdistrict meetings of parents of youth. Special editions of *The Christian Home* will be prepared for both the National Conference in October and the Youth Emphasis in November.

For additional information or registration blanks, write to your district superintendent or to Edward D. Staples, Secretary, National Conference on Family Life, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee.

Send registration *now*, with $5.00 per person registration fee to the executive secretary of your annual conference board of education.

Jesus Christ Is the Way

Jesus saith unto Thomas, I am the way, the truth, and the life. John 14:6.

The Way And we shall also bear witness because you have been with me. John 16:28.

The Truth Speaking the truth in love you may grow up into Him in all things. Eph. 4:15.

The Life I have set before you life and death, therefore choose life. Deut. 30:11.

Is Christ real to me? Have I a growing experience of His presence?

Have I helped others to know the inspiration of His companionship?

Can I say with Paul, "Christ liveth in me?"

Lord, make me a worthy disciple, *Amen.*

ASSEMBLY PRAYER ROOM
May Twenty-Fifth, 1954

Circles WORSHIP AND PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

City Lights and Shadows

CALL TO WORSHIP: Isaiah 42: 10-12.

HYMN: "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" (*The Methodist Hymnal,* No. 465)

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 9:36-38; Luke 19:41.

MEDITATION: This is the city: mysterious — aloof — exciting — throbbing with energy—forever fascinating. It attracts people by the thousands—to walk along its high-walled streets—to explore its shops and sources of enchantment —to match wits in the never-ending struggle for better jobs and better living.

Faces of people seen as you pass along the streets give you a quick glimpse of the eternal drama of everyday life. Small islands of loneliness are to be detected in the midst of the roistering stream of life—the elderly, gravitating together for company . . . the man on the streets, forlorn in sleep . . . the displaced, isolated by foreign tongue.

In cities everywhere in this country eyes look to the church with hope. In cities everywhere, empty lives plead silently for the friendly touch that does not always come. In cities everywhere, people sick of a great heart-hunger wistfully wait for Something to change their lives.[1]

PRAYER

HYMN: "Hope of the World" (September issue of WORLD OUTLOOK.)

PROGRAM: Roll Call. State a city characteristic in a word or two, such as traffic, mobility, loneliness, cultural advantage.

INTERVIEWS: An interviewer asks and three or four prepared participants answer questions on the city projects supported by the Woman's Division. (See pp. 48-53 of the *Fourteenth Annual Report* and the pamphlet, *Do You Know* the Department of Work in Home Fields, as well as back issues of THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK.) As a variation for full audience participation, statements on the city work could be written out and distributed, one to each woman present. When the interviewer asks a question, any woman who *thinks* she has the answer may volunteer the information. If it is not correct, someone else or the interviewer should give the right answer. The session is brought to a close with an interview on the article, "Who Is My Neighbor?" page 7 of this issue.

QUIZ

"Unite knowledge and piety." Who said that?

Recent disaster. Where? What?

Basis of an attractive woman.

Assurance. Explain.

"No better plan. . . ." Complete sentence. Explain.

Weather map. Explain.

October. Name four events.

Report of treasurer. Give highlights.

Korean school reopened. Explain.

[1] Excerpts from *Look at the City* by Janette T. Harrington.

OCTOBER PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

By Mrs. S. D. Bankston

Recreate a "Little Assembly" so that every woman will feel the impact of the spirit of the great Assembly which was held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 25-28, 1954. The *Assembly Bulletin* in the July-August issue and the July issue of WORLD OUTLOOK are indispensable. Study the suggestions, pp. 14-21, in the Program Book, *Except the Lord Keep the City,* and page 3 of the Worship Booklet. Adapt the suggestions and material to fit your Society and situation.

Convey as much as possible through the eye-gate. Glimpses of platform settings are given on pp. 15 and 43 of the *Assembly Bulletin.* If possible, arrange a setting similar to either, or use a large map of the world or flags of all nations as a background. Display pictorial posters, especially the July-August cover. Attach the registration figures, page 18, to it; also the amount of the offering. See pages 19-21; 22, 23; 27, 28 of this September issue for material on exhibits. Type pertinent statements made by the speakers and give one to each woman on arrival or, if it is a luncheon meeting, put a quotation at each place.

Additional Suggestion (All material in Assembly Bulletin)

Hymn: "Christ's Life Our Code" (*The Methodist Hymnal,* No. 331)

Meditation: "His Works," page 25.

Interpretation: Excerpts from "The Assembly: Its Plan and Purpose," page 16.

Conversation Groups: Form several small groups, each with a recorder, a well prepared leader, and one or more resource persons who have studied all of the *Assembly Bulletin.* Half of the groups discuss "How can we interpret *Jesus Christ—the Way* in national and international affairs?" using the excerpts from addresses found in the Bulletin. The other half discuss "How can we interpret *Jesus Christ—the Way* through the missionary enterprise?" using pages 30-35 of the Bulletin. Allow a half hour, then reconvene the meeting to hear a report of the recorders.

Affirmations: Present the affirmations adopted at the Assembly. If there is time, discuss them briefly.

"All action is local!" If the great Assembly of Milwaukee is to live and bear results in the lives of people, it must be done through the women of each Society.

To Local Secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS AND LOCAL CHURCH ACTIVITIES

THELMA STEVENS, *Executive Secretary*

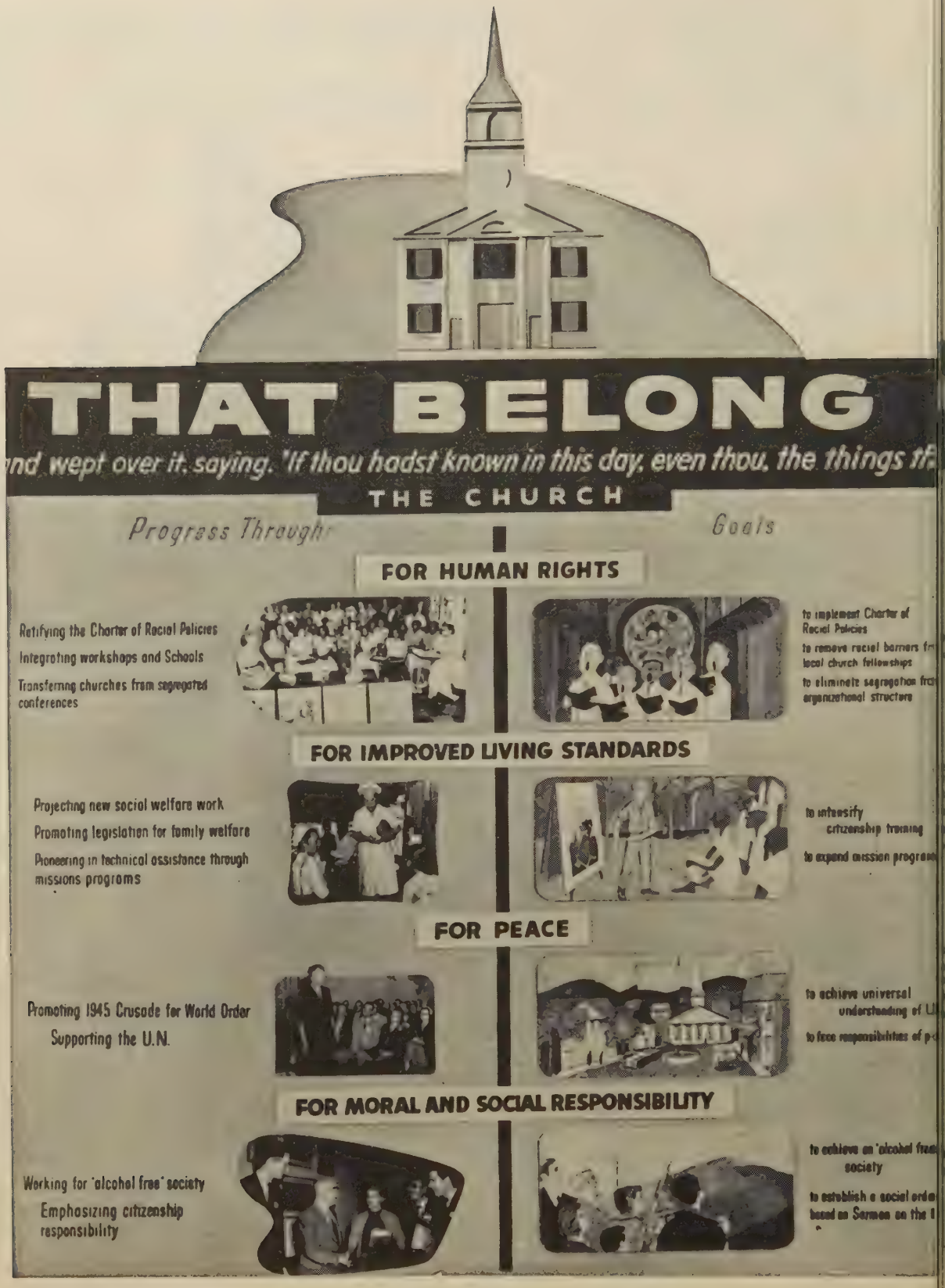
Dear Friends:

THE METHODIST WOMAN for July-August, and this September issue, bring information of many kinds that will help your Program Committee prepare for the "Little Assembly," or in some way relate the *Assembly of Methodist Women* (held in Milwaukee, May 25-28) to your own local Society and Guild. Your October program material in the Program Book will give you guidance. If somehow, across the church, nearly two million Methodist women will center their attention in a special way *at least* during October on the Assembly theme, "Jesus Christ—The Way," the impact of our united prayers, study, and action will give new direction to all who seek ways of peace in a troubled world.

On the following three pages you will see reproductions of the display which the Department of Christian Social Relations prepared for the Assembly. The theme of the exhibit was the department's quadrennial theme—"The Things That Belong Unto Peace," as it can be found in the three main channels through which we can work—the United Nations, the church, and the nation. On each of the three panels, progress items and some future goals were listed. In order to dramatize the contrast, actual photographs were used for the progress items and colored drawings for the goals. Some of the visitors to the Assembly exhibit were able to identify three of the photographs used on the progress side of the church panel. The first shows the Workshop on the United Nations at the 1953 Lincoln Leadership School at Frankfort, Kentucky; the third shows Mrs. Roosevelt addressing one of our student

THE THINGS
"And when he drew nigh, he saw the city
THE UNITED NATIONS
Progress Through:
Goals
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
Adopting Universal Declaration of Human Rights
to achieve universal acceptance of Declaration of Human Rights
FOR IMPROVED LIVING STANDARDS
Rendering Technical Assistance
to make Technical Assistance universally accessible
FOR PEACE
Implementing principles of collective security
to achieve collective security and disarmament
FOR MORAL AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
Assuming responsibility for social welfare
to grow in understanding of world problems

To achieve these goals the U.N. must have the understanding and support of many individuals. You can help by (1) studying the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, seeing that your community follows its principles, and bringing the Declaration to the attention of others, especially in celebrations of Human Rights Day, December 10; (2) by urging that our government support U.N. Technical Assistance and efforts to achieve collective security and disarmament through the U.N.; (3) by studying the problems of the rest of the world.


THAT BELONG
nd wept over it, saying, 'If thou hadst known in this day, even thou, the things th
THE CHURCH
Progress Through
Goals
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
Ratifying the Charter of Racial Policies
Integrating workshops and Schools
Transferring churches from segregated conferences
to implement Charter of Racial Policies
to remove racial barriers fr
local church fellowships
to eliminate segregation fro
organizational structure
FOR IMPROVED LIVING STANDARDS
Projecting new social welfare work
Promoting legislation for family welfare
Pioneering in technical assistance through missions programs
to intensify citizenship training
to expand mission program
FOR PEACE
Promoting 1945 Crusade for World Order
Supporting the U.N.
to achieve universal understanding of U
to face responsibilities of p
FOR MORAL AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
Working for 'alcohol free' society
Emphasizing citizenship responsibility
to achieve an 'alcohol free' society
to establish a social orde
based on Sermon on the M

Our church can be our most effective agent in achieving a peaceful world if we give it our devoted support. Have the members of your church given study and thought to subjects like these: The Christian and the U.N.; Alcohol in Our Society; Needs of an Expanded Mission Program; Removal of Racial Barriers in Our Church Fellowship? Has your Woman's Society ratified the Charter of Racial Policies?

Today's world needs nations with policies guided by religious and ethical standards and directed toward the good of all people everywhere. Do your representatives in Congress know how important you consider protecting civil liberties, using the U.N. as the chief instrument of our foreign policy, removing segregation from national life, liberalizing trade policies?

seminars at the United Nations; and the fourth shows two of the members of a student seminar interviewing Senator Lehman in Washington.

The text which appears below the black line on these pages indicates action which might follow the study of this exhibit. You may find these pages useful in your follow-up of the Assembly. A whole series of discussions or "conversation groups" as the Assembly called them, could be based on these goals and accomplishments. An interesting presentation of material in the *Workbook for the Assembly* would be to relate it to the various topics in this display. It would also be interesting to relate affirmations which came out of the Assembly (published in the July-August issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN) to the emphases of the display. The group might also wish to dramatize the material in the display in pageant form or to make their own pictorial representation of the material.

How can we make *Jesus Christ—The Way* in our national and international affairs, as well as in our local church and community?

Sincerely yours,

THELMA STEVENS
MARGARET R. BENDER
ETHEL L. WATKINS

P.S. *Flash!* You will note the signature of Miss Ethel Watkins, new associate secretary in the department. She has completed her year of study for which leave of absence was granted, and will now be with us permanently.

A CHARTER OF RACIAL POLICIES

for The Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church

WE BELIEVE

1. We believe that God is the Father of all races and we are His children in one family.

2. We believe that the personality of every human being is sacred.

3. We believe that opportunities for fellowship and service, for personal growth, and for freedom in every aspect of life are inherent rights of every individual.

4. We believe that the visible church of Jesus Christ must demonstrate these principles within its own organization and program.

5. We believe that the Woman's Division as an Agency of The Methodist Church must build in every area it may touch a fellowship and social order without racial barriers.

6. We believe that progress may be advanced by declaring emphatically these policies on which the Woman's Division is determined to move in order to come nearer the ideal.

RACIAL POLICIES

1. Persons to fill positions within the official body or staff of the Woman's Division of Christian Service shall be selected on the basis of qualifications without regard for race.

The committee on Nominations of the Woman's Division shall consider all openings for service in the Division or staff on this principle giving due consideration to circumstances which will offer opportunity for fruitful and happy service.

2. The institutions and projects of the Division are instruments by which we may translate the Christian ideals and attitudes of this charter into action.

a. We will employ all missionaries, deaconesses and other workers, regardless of racial or national background, on the basis of qualifications, and the promise they show for effective work in the field to which they will be sent.

b. The facilities and opportunities offered by our projects and institutions shall be open to all people without discrimination because of racial or national background

c. Where law prohibits or custom prevents the immediate achievement of these objectives, workers and local boards are charged with the responsibility of creating a public opinion which may result in changing such laws and customs

3. All promotional plans of the Woman's Division must take into account the various racial groups within its organization pattern and related to its program emphasis.

4. Special guidance toward the integration of all groups into the life and work of the church shall be given to the auxiliary societies of the Woman's Division.

5 Summer Schools of Missions and Christian Service of both Jurisdictions and Conferences are urged to seek increasingly to establish a working relationship across racial lines in planning and carrying out all phases of the programs, taking into account geographical accessibility of groups involved

6 Summer School subsidies provided for or by any Jurisdiction or Conference should be available when requested for use at the school most accessible to the person receiving the subsidy

7. Workshops, Seminars, and Institutes should be set up on a geographical basis with full opportunity for initial participation by all racial groups in the making and execution of the plans

8 Local Societies and Guilds should give increased emphasis to the working together of all racial groups in study and action that affect the life of the church and community.

9. All Jurisdiction and Conference Societies are urged to work for the enactment of policies at all Methodist assembly grounds that will enable the full participation of any racial group in any phase of the assembly program.

10 The Woman's Division has consistently observed its established policy by holding its meetings in places where all racial groups can have access to all facilities without discrimination in any form. To further extend this policy Jurisdiction and Conference Societies are urged to work for its implementation as a basic step toward building a Christian fellowship within the organization and toward an impact on the community as a whole

THE WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE CALLS WITH NEW URGENCY ON THE JURISDICTION AND CONFERENCE WOMAN'S SOCIETIES OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE TO STUDY THE PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES STATED IN THIS CHARTER, LOOKING TOWARD EARLY RATIFICATION BY EACH JURISDICTION AND CONFERENCE. SUCH A RATIFICATION WILL CONSTITUTE A COMMITMENT TO WORK FOR THE SPEEDY IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF A RESPECTIVE JURISDICTION OR CONFERENCE

PROGRESS TOWARD CHARTER RATIFICATION

Recorded at The Fourth Assembly of Methodist Women
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
MAY 25-28, 1954

CONFERENCE	SIGNATURE OF PRESIDENT	DATE OF RATIFICATION	PRESENTED FOR STUDY	CONFERENCE	SIGNATURE OF PRESIDENT	DATE OF RATIFICATION	PRESENTED FOR STUDY
				Newark			
				North Alabama			
				North Arkansas			
				North Carolina (C.J.)			
				North Carolina (S.E.J.)			
				North Dakota			
				North Georgia			
				North Indiana			
				North Iowa			
				North Mississippi			
				North Texas			
				North East Ohio			
				Northern New York			
				Northwest Indiana			
				Northwest Texas			
				Ohio			
				Oregon			
				Pacific Japanese			
				Pacific Northwest			
				Peninsula			
				Philadelphia			
				Pittsburgh			
				Puerto Rico			
				Rio Grande			
				Rock River			
				St Louis			
				South Carolina (C.J.)			
				South Carolina (S.E.J.)			
				South Georgia			
				South Dakota			
				Southern California-Arizona			
				Southern Illinois			
				Southwest			
				Southwest Missouri			
				Southwest Texas			
				Tennessee (C.J.)			
				Tennessee (S.E.J.)			
				Texas (C.J.)			
				Texas (S.C.J.)			
				Troy			
				Upper Mississippi			
				Virginia			
				Washington			
				West Oklahoma			
				West Texas			
				West Virginia			
				West Wisconsin			
				Western North Carolina			
				Wisconsin			
				Wyoming			
				Wyoming State			

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

LILLIAN A. JOHNSON, *Secretary*

Guild Woman of the Month

Miss Dorcas Urdaz Pérez

GUILD Woman of the Month is Dorcas Urdaz Pérez of Santurce, Puerto Rico. She teaches mathematics at Central High School, the largest high school in the metropolitan area of Puerto Rico. She is president of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the metropolitan area, and is a member of Transfiguration Methodist Church. Although she teaches evenings in addition to her regular teaching duties, she has been an excellent president. It is not an easy task, for her Guild has members from eight different churches and very few members have either a car or a telephone.

Miss Pérez became interested in the Guild through Miss Ruth Ferguson and the teachers of George O. Robinson School who invited her to a meeting of the employed women of the churches. The purpose of this meeting was to investigate the possibilities for a Wesleyan Service Guild in Puerto Rico. Along with others who attended, Miss Pérez was immediately attracted to the program and activities as they were outlined, and after the Guild was organized she became its president. This is what she says of the Guild:

"As a Guild member I have studied the *Handbook* and leaflets. I like the Guild and its objectives. Through its activities I have learned more about people. I feel better, and I am sure I am more understanding and friendly. One of my big aims in life is to help people and make them feel as happy in the Protestant Church as I am. It is a great satisfaction to me when I have helped someone, no matter who it is. I like the fraternity and friendliness in the Wesleyan Service Guild. Although my life is busy, when I found that one of the Guild aims is to develop friendship, I felt that I could take the time to serve as its president."

PLEDGE SERVICE

Because of lack of space, the following pledge service which may be used with "I Pledge" (see June issue, page 19), was omitted.

Litany

LEADER: Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

UNISON: *O God, incline our hearts to follow in this way.*

LEADER: Jesus said, "Whatever you wish that men would do to you, do so to them." (RSV)

UNISON: *O God, incline our hearts to follow in this way.*

LEADER: Jesus said, "Whoever gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he shall not lose his reward." (RSV)

UNISON: *O God, incline our hearts to follow in this way.*

LEADER: Jesus said, "Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy."

UNISON: *O God, incline our hearts to follow in this way.*

LEADER: Jesus said, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (RSV)

UNISON: *O God, incline our hearts to follow in this way.*

LEADER: Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." (RSV)

UNISON: *And we believe Thy word, though dim our faith may be; Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord, we do it unto Thee.*

I PLEDGE

My **prayers** to bind me closer to Him in whose strength I live;

My **service** in the extension of God's kingdom;

My **gifts** to the support of the Wesleyan Service Guild.

SOLO: We Give Thee but Thine Own" (*The Methodist Hymnal*, No. 456).

PRESENTATION OF PLEDGES during quiet music.

PRAYER: Our gracious Father, Thou who art the giver of all good gifts, we humbly beseech Thee to accept the offerings of our hands and hearts as we lay them upon Thy altar. May we, in all we do, say and think, be worthy of presenting our gifts to Thee. We would not only consecrate these gifts to Thee, but we would rededicate our lives to Thy service. Help us to order ourselves, that we shall use our earnings, our possessions, and our lives in a manner that will be pleasing in Thy sight. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

SOLO RESPONSE: "Christ, for the World We Sing!" (stanzas 1 and 3, *The Methodist Hymnal*, No. 481).

CHART AND COMPASS

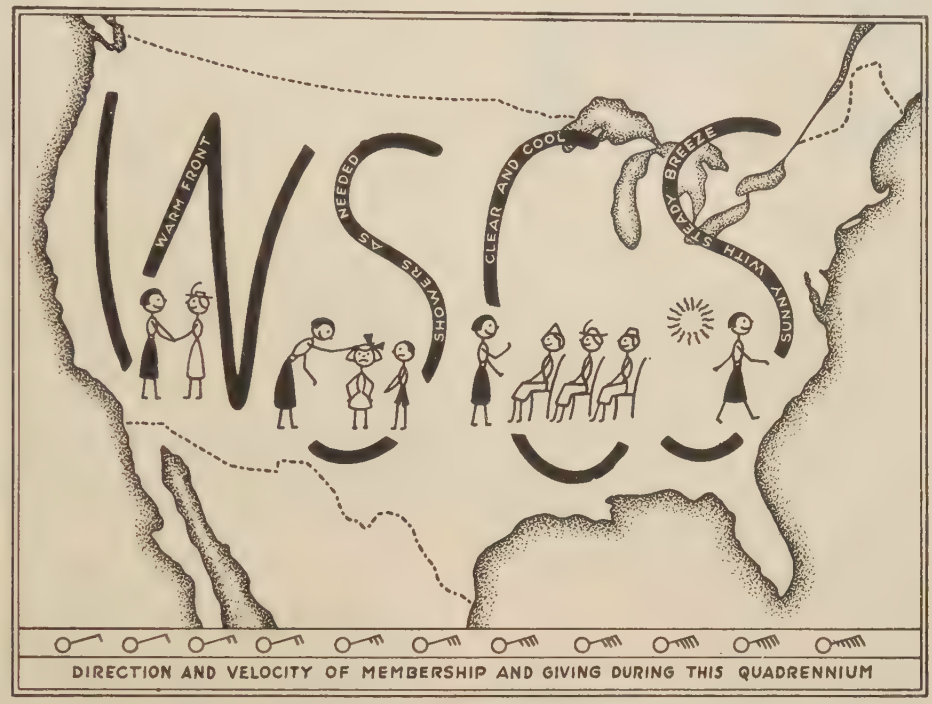
ORGANIZATION AND PROMOTION

MISS DORCAS HALL, *Executive Secretary,*
Section of Education and Cultivation
MRS. MAUDE WHITE HARDIE, *Assistant to the Executive Secretary*

THEME AND EMPHASES 1952-1956

THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD MAY BE REALIZED

1. WE WILL SEEK TO GROW AS CHRISTIANS.
2. WE WILL SEEK TO BRING OTHERS INTO THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP . . . OF THE CHURCH AND OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND THE WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD.
3. WE WILL SEEK WITH CHRISTIANS EVERYWHERE THE SUSTAINING FELLOWSHIP AND POWER OF A WORLD CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
4. WE WILL USE ALL AVAILABLE RESOURCES TO WORK FOR "THE THINGS THAT BELONG UNTO PEACE."
5. WE WILL PROCLAIM THE WORLD MISSION OF THE CHURCH TO BE GOD'S PLAN FOR THE REDEMPTION OF THE WORLD. TO THIS END, WE WILL WORK TO MAKE THE LORD JESUS CHRIST KNOWN TO ALL PEOPLES EVERYWHERE, TO PERSUADE THEM TO BECOME HIS DISCIPLES, AND TO FOSTER THE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPANSION OF THE MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.
6. WE WILL ACCEPT THE PRICE OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP.



MAPS OF THE SPIRIT

I. THE WEATHER MAP

WE ARE frequently told, in the current language of religious education, that our responsibility is to create the spiritual climate which other people, children and adults, may grow. We cannot do their growing for them, but we can apply the conditions which foster growth.

Each of us as an individual, and each Society as a group, is daily charting its own weather map, whether we know it or not. Will you check yours with the one suggested here? (Remembering that weather maps have to use abbreviations not generally looked upon with favor by the *W*oman's *S*ociety of *C*hristian *S*ervice!)

Does your local Society present a *Warm front* to the stranger in the locality—to the newcomer in the church group?

Do refreshment of soul and new life of mind and spirit come to those who attend your meetings, like a *timely Shower* to drooping plants? When the children or youth of your church are "bogged down," do they look to you for a lift along the way?

Are we *Clear and cool* in our judgments of people and issues? Is our thinking mature and poised, our decision thoughtfully considered, when we take action in our Society on local matters and world-wide concerns?

Do we have the happy effect on people, of sunlight in a shady place? Do those whom we meet in casual contact feel a release from inner tension because of our personality? Is there the freshness, the sense of ongoing, that comes with the softly, steadily blowing breeze? "Behold, I make all things new": does our presence merit this tribute from weary, burdened people whom we meet? And do the women who attend our meetings walk out with a buoyant step and a *Sunny* spirit, because of what they have experienced there?

* * * * *

Take a closer look at the weather map in your daily paper. What looks like a border across the lower edge, maybe, is really a measure of the direction and velocity of the wind. In your Weather Map of the Spirit, can you see an increase in the ongoing of membership and giving and spiritual power?

A TREASURE HUNT

TREASURES ARE PEOPLE

In the Calendar of Activities, emphasis on the Treasure Hunt is indicated for the month of September. No greater impetus could be given the fall program than the systematic and enthusiastic searching out of the women of the church and community, with their wide resources of ability and training and experience, for the enrichment of the program of the womanhood of Methodism around the world. This is what the Treasure Hunt is designed to do.

PREPARATION

Prepare or bring up to date the Responsibility List of women who are not yet members of the Society or Guild. We think primarily of women of the church; but there are also large numbers of women in community organizations such as the P.T.A., the Eastern Star, the A.A.U.W., to whom fellowship in the church, and worth-while service productive of results, will offer a welcome opportunity. This list of prospects will constitute a Treasure Hunt Chart.

Have at hand a complete list of the membership of the Society. (The Guild will probably prefer to work separately in a hunt of its own.) Divide the membership list into groups of two or three, as far as possible on a neighborhood basis. Number these groups, for future keeping of records.

To each group, assign one or more "Treasures"—women from the Treasure Hunt Chart—to be sought for.

Supply each group with *one* piece of Woman's Society literature for each woman "Treasure." This may be one of the leaflets, "Thy Footsteps Tracing Eagerly," * or "A Widening Way,"* or "Oh Yes You Can" * (free for postage). A copy of the May, 1954, issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN,* with paragraphs on page 30 marked for the "Treasure's" attention, will be especially effective (15 cents per copy). And make sure that the members themselves read the literature carefully!

An informal briefing session might consist of a demonstration or sample call acted out before the entire group.

CONTACTING THE TREASURES

A few days in advance of the day of the hunt, each group should send a note to each "Treasure" assigned them, telling her of their intention of calling on her, specifying hour and day, and of their expectation that she will accompany them to the church for the hunt program. An original verse might start the note. For example:

> On a Treasure Hunt shortly we're due—
> A quest which is old, and yet new.
> This hunting for treasure
> Has thrills beyond measure,
> Since the TREASURES are PEOPLE like you!

It may add interest to omit signatures by name, signing it "Treasure Hunters, Group No. ___, Woman's Society of Christian Service, _____ Church," and let the identity of the visitors remain a surprise till they appear.

THE HUNT

Concerted action, culminating in a meeting of all groups and "Treasures" at the church, will be more effective generally than scattered calling. Plan for this meeting at a definite hour, to which all will return following the hunt. Each group should determine its own starting time in the light of the distance to be covered and the number of "Treasures" to be sought.

The visit should open with reference to the breadth of program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and the need for its enrichment by the addition of the specific talent or training or experience that the woman being called upon can bring to it. In a friendly and informal way, the group may list the lines of her special interest. Present her with the piece of literature, indicating some particular point of interest.

The call should not be more than twenty or twenty-five minutes. The group, with the addition of the new "Treasure," may then call upon another "Treasure" if it has been so planned. They should return to the church promptly at the time appointed for the program there.

THE PROGRAM

This should begin with a friendly introduction of the new-found "Treasures," telling informally their special lines of interest and suggesting how the

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio; or Distributing Offices.

Woman's Society needs them specifically at these points.

The map, *The World Mission of The Methodist Church*,[1] conspicuously hung, will be a valuable program aid.

Each Society will find it easy and enjoyable to plan simple, lively games related to the Treasure Hunt idea. If the group is small, questions or statements about outstanding people in the work of the Division around the world might be written on slips of paper and distributed to half the group, and the matching names to the other half: then allow a given number of minutes for the questions and answers to find each other, and have all read aloud.

A "Treasure Chest" might contain important facts about the work of the Woman's Division, each wrapped to suggest a coin or precious stone; these to be drawn, read aloud, and located on the world map, fastening the slip to the general location. For this, groups and their "Treasures" might serve as units, drawing a slip jointly.

Many familiar games can be adapted to fit the theme, according to the size and type of the meeting.

Refreshments are left to the creative ability of the local Society—which never fails!

[1] Available from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio; or Distributing Offices. Price $1.00.

FOLLOW-UP

Be sure that the Treasure Hunt does not stop with the spending of a pleasant hour together. It is imperative that the new-found "Treasures" feel the importance of the purpose for which they have been sought, and recognize the value of their own contribution of service to it. Extend a hearty invitation to membership, and have membership cards at hand, but do not press unduly unless the women are ready. **The January meeting can be planned as an ingathering of new members.**

In the meantime, the secretary of Status of Women and her committee can go to work at once, considering the new "Treasures" in the light of the items listed on the Service Activity Card, and following through with the "Treasures" to help them find the place where they can be most happy and useful in the work of the Society and the church. This committee and the Committee on Membership should work closely together. The cordial relationship established between each group and its "Treasures" should be continued and strengthened.

For in the natural world we have many treasures and all treasures do not have the same function: there is iron which being tempered and refined makes a building strong; and there are coal and oil which burn with a comforting warmth; there are gold and silver and precious stones which shine with vividness and beauty:

And in the world of the arts we have many treasures, and all do not have the same function: there is the work of the painter and of the sculptor and of the architect; and shall one say to another, the art I represent is more important? Or, the world has little need of you?

So shall it be with those Treasures that are People: being one in the image of God, we have gifts that differ according to the grace given unto us; and there is none greater and none less; for all are the creation of God and made by Him to be used according to His purpose.

***A paraphrase of portions* of Romans 12 and 1 Cor. 12.**

THE SECTION'S EXHIBIT AT THE ASSEMBLY

For those who may wish to reproduce in any way the Section of Education and Cultivation's exhibit at the Assembly, a picture of the central figures is given on the next page.

FIGURES SHOWING INCREASES FROM ONE ASSEMBLY TO ANOTHER

First Assembly—1942

Total Adult Membership.....	1,183,507
Number of Societies.....	26,274
Total giving on appropriations for year,	$3,215,706.49

Second Assembly—1946

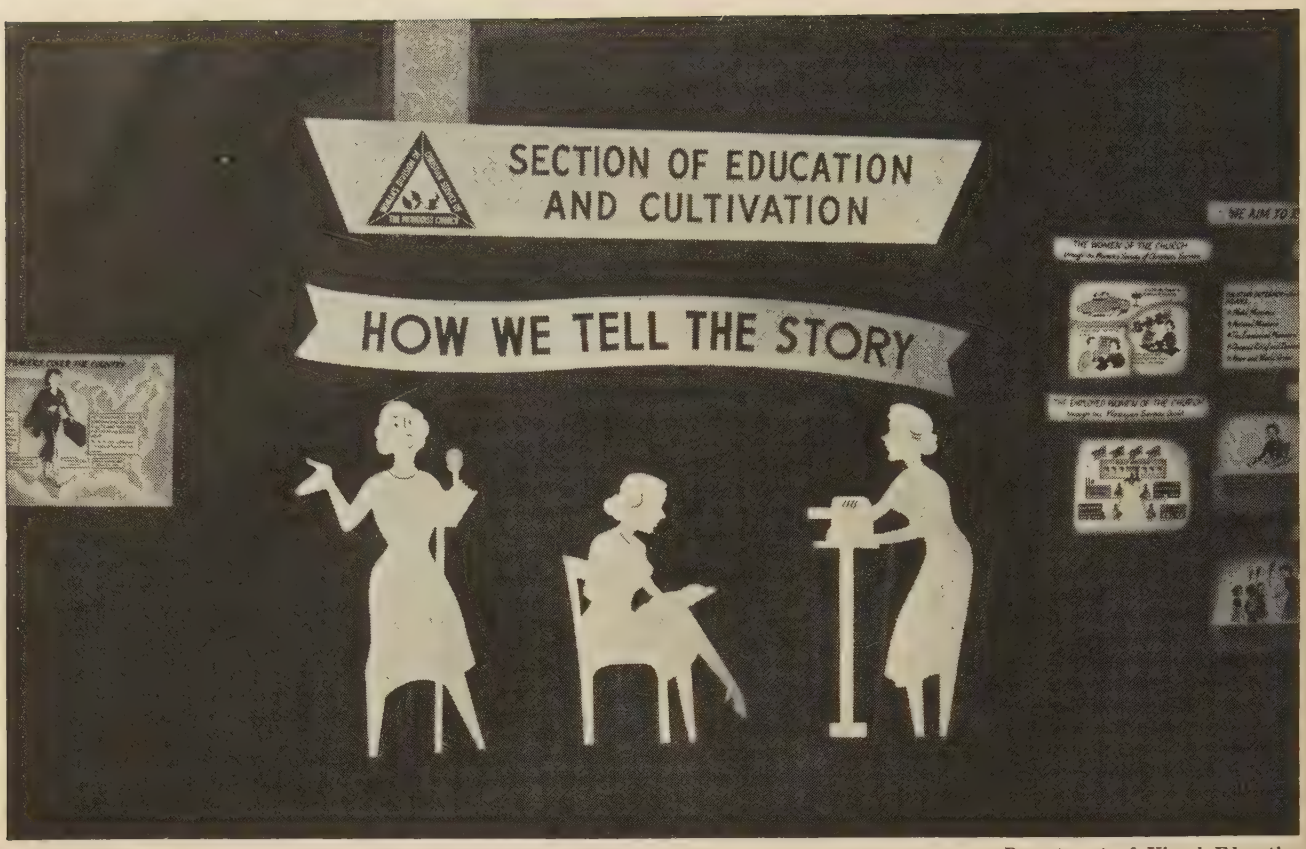
Total Adult Membership.....	1,377,740
Number of Societies.....	27,321
Total giving on appropriations for year,	$3,779,561.74

Third Assembly—1950

Total Adult Membership.....	1,590,782
Number of Societies.....	28,693
Total giving on appropriations for year,	$5,580,373.39

Fourth Assembly—1954

Total Adult Membership.....	1,733,413
Number of Societies.....	30,101
Total giving on appropriations for year,	$7,156,447.51



Department of Visual Education

STATEMENT ON POSTER "OUR SPEAKERS COVER THE COUNTRY"

Three field workers itinerate constantly. Schedules arranged in cooperation with six jurisdiction and 103 conference secretaries of Promotion through the office of the Woman's Division secretary of Field Cultivation.

Four hundred thirty-seven missionaries, deaconesses, and overseas guests are available for speaking engagements. Write to your conference secretary of Promotion for names.

Posters shown at the right of picture visualized methods by which "We aim to reach" the women of the church, students, youth, and children.

The verse "The Story That We're Here to Tell," with musical setting, was on a record for visitors to play as desired. Seven thousand "vitamin capsules" were given away, each containing a pertinent fact or suggestion for furthering the work of the Woman's Society and Guild.

THE STORY THAT WE'RE HERE TO TELL

The story that we're here to tell
Has action plenty in it;
It's not a "once upon a time,"
But of the present minute.

It's mystery and history,
It's truth surpassing fiction;
The scene is laid in conference,
District, and jurisdiction.

The murals which we here portray
Are moving pictures, too;
The figures which they typify
Are You—and You—and You:

Nearly two million women folk
With eager hearts and hands,
And seven million dollars a year
For eight and twenty lands.

To educate and cultivate,
To teach and televise,
Through program books and magazines
Promote and organize!

Our speakers go from state to state
From dawn to setting sun,
In widening fellowship demonstrate
That all the world is one.

On campus and in MYF
In church schools everywhere,
In office, schoolroom, factory,
This fellowship is there.

The Treasure Chest, the Treasure Hunt,
May make us more aware
That treasures which are worth the most
Are *people,* everywhere.

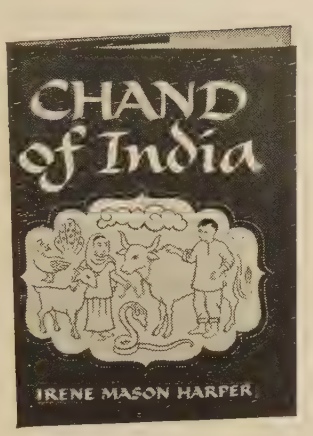
The story which we've tried to tell
And drawn for all to view,
Requires the increased energy
Of You—and You—and You.

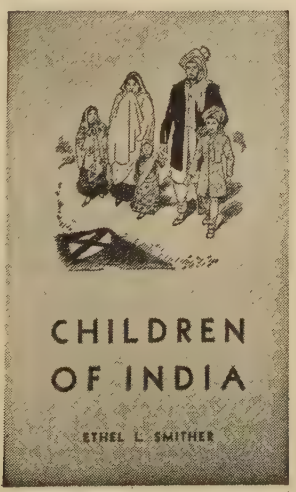
So, take your capsule from the dish.
This souvenir we're giving,
Accompanied by our earnest wish
For happy, livelier living!

WORLD FRIENDSHIP BULLETIN

RUBY VAN HOOSER
Secretary of Children's Work

MISSIONARY EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN—1954-55





DURING the year 1954-55, Methodist children will be engaged in the study of two significant missionary emphases. They will discover some of the ways in which their church is at work in INDIA AND PAKISTAN, and will find new friends among the people of these new countries. Boys and girls will also become familiar with some adventures in Christian service in THE CITY and with the manner in which Methodism tries to build friendliness and fellowship among its citizens.

The missionary materials for children during the current year are developed around these two emphases. The materials for the Sunday school and additional sessions of the church school include the following units:

FOR PRIMARY CHILDREN

Primary Group Graded Lessons, January, 1955. This unit of five sessions for the Sunday school is entitled "A Christian Family in India." The pupils' material will be found in *The Primary Class,*[1] and the teachers' helps in *Child Guidance in Christian Living.*[1]

Primary Closely Graded Courses. The missionary units in these lesson materials occur in the winter quarter for all three grades. The units are:

Course I, Part 2, "Homes for All," eight sessions.

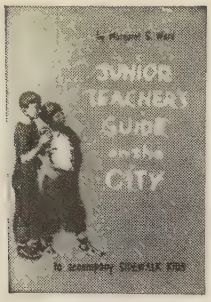
Course II, Part 2, "Many People in Our Country," eight sessions.

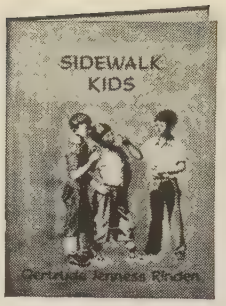
Course III, Part 2, "Children Go to Church Around the World," seven sessions.

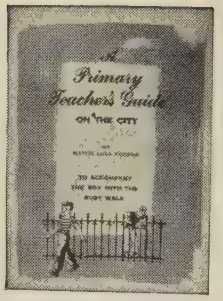
Material on the current missionary emphases may be used with the study of these units, as appropriate.

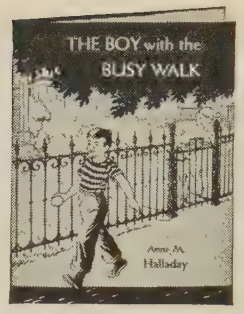
IN ADDITIONAL SESSIONS

The program of The Methodist Church for primary and junior children includes each year at least ten additional sessions for missionary education. Since missionary units occur in January in the Group Graded Lessons and in January and February in the Closely Graded Courses, leaders should plan additional sessions for primary and junior children during these months.









For *primary* children, one of the following units may be followed:

*Children of India,** by Ethel L. Smither. A ten-session unit. Price, 50 cents.

Or, *The Boy With the Busy Walk,** by Anne M. Halladay. A ten-session unit. Price, $1.25. Use with this *A Primary Teacher's Guide on "The City,"* * by Mattie Lula Cooper. Price, 50 cents.

FOR JUNIOR CHILDREN

Junior Group Graded Lessons,[1] January, 1955. This unit of five sessions bears the title, "The Church at Work in India and Pakistan." The pupils' material will appear in the *Junior Quarterly,*[1] and the teachers' helps in *Child Guidance in Christian Living.*[1]

Junior Closely Graded Courses.[1] The missionary units in these lesson materials will occur in the winter quarter for all three grades. The units are:

Course IV, Part 2, "The Bible Around the World," six sessions.

Course V, Part 2, "A Fair Chance for All," six sessions.

Course VI, Part 2, "The Church Around the World," seven sessions.

Materials on the present missionary emphases, as pertinent, may also be used with the study of these units.

IN ADDITIONAL SESSIONS

For *junior* boys and girls meeting in *additional* sessions one of the following units may be studied:

*Adventure in India and Pakistan,** by Carolyn Muller Wolcott. Price, 50 cents.

Or, *Sidewalk Kids,** by Gertrude Rinden. Price, $1.25. Use with this *A Junior Teacher's Guide on "The City,"* * by Margaret Ward. Price, 50 cents.

Additional Sessions for Juniors. Two missionary units will appear in this section of *Child Guidance in Christian Living,*[1] for juniors who meet once each week throughout the year. The units are:

"Christian Leaders at Work in India and Pakistan," January, 1955.

"A Meeting Place for All Peoples" (*The City*), May, 1955.

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio; or Distributing Offices.

[1] Order from The Methodist Publishing House serving your territory.

RESOURCE MATERIALS

Other materials on the missionary emphases for 1954-55 include interesting and varied resources. Picture sets and folders, filmstrips, movies, and maps have been prepared for the current missionary study, and are listed on page 32 of this issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. For information in regard to additional materials that are available, leaders should consult the free leaflet, *Missionary Materials for Use With Children, 1954-55.**

A MEDICAL CENTER IN INDIA

As Methodist children take part in the study of India and Pakistan, they will learn that one of the great needs of the village people is the modern treatment of disease and the building of better health. To meet these needs, Miss Eva K. Logue, a missionary nurse, writes of the new Christian Medical Center in Yellari, where she and her Indian colleagues minister to those who crowd its doors:

"February 9, 1950, was a memorable day in Yellari. That afternoon Bishop Mondol stood before a large crowd of people and in a sacred service dedicated the Linn Health Center.

"From the spacious arched veranda we enter the waiting room with its polished stone seats on three sides. On the walls are lovely large pictures of the Great Physician showing His acts of healing. Here the patients receive a number and await their turn to enter the next room where they see the doctor and are examined.

"What a contrast this building is to the old! Space, light, air, a place for everything and everything in its place! How grateful we are to God and to each one whom He has used to make the building and work in this village possible!

"Patients come from Yellari and the surrounding villages, walking miles; or they come on horseback, carried on beds, in bullock carts, on donkey back, while still others arrive in cars. All of them wish to get help at the center. Our pastor's wife assists us by working in the waiting room registering patients, telling them Bible stories, teaching Christian songs, giving health talks and demonstrations, and answering questions. Last year we treated more than 17,000 people, from 148 villages."

Boys and girls in Methodist church schools will be glad to have some share in work such as this.

PLANNING FOR CHILDREN IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

HERE AND EVERYWHERE[1]

O Father, now our song we raise,
Of love, of thanks, of joyful praise
That children here and everywhere
Can share your love, can know your care.

O friends, who seem so near today,
We send our greetings on their way,
We tell of Jesus, helper, friend,
Our gifts we share, our love we send.

—*Ethel L. Smither*

[1] Used by permission.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION IN THE YEAR'S PROGRAM

With the coming of October a new year begins or children in many Methodist church schools. One f the major objectives for leaders and parents dur- ng the next twelve months will surely be to so uide the experiences of boys and girls in church nd home that, in these crucial times, they may come ncreasingly to think of others and to act toward hem as Christian friends and neighbors.

The council of children's workers in each local hurch, therefore, with this purpose in mind, will vant to meet early in September or October to nake plans for the missionary education of children uring 1954-55 as a part of the ongoing program of he church school.

As a regular teacher in the church school and a nember of the council, the secretary of Children's Vork of the Woman's Society of Christian Service an contribute to the development of the year's lan by doing the following things:

1. Becoming familiar ahead of time with some of he current missionary materials for children, and aking them with her to the council meeting.

2. Discussing with the children's leaders the rticle, "Looking Ahead in Missionary Education, 954-55," by E. Mae Young, in the magazine *Child Guidance in Christian Living*, September, 1954.

3. Reviewing the plans of The Methodist Church or children's giving to missions through World Service and the Children's Service Fund.

JOYOUS SHARING AT HOME AND OVERSEAS

During the fall quarter as well as throughout the ear, boys and girls will be bringing their regular fferings for World Service, and, when additional sessions are held, to the Children's Service Fund. It is through these offerings that children help in the support of the missionary work of their church both at home and in countries around the world. In addition children may wish to help in some of these special ways:

For Children In India and Pakistan

Missionaries and national workers are trying to meet the needs of children for better home and village life, better schools and hospitals and better churches.

Send gifts of $5.00 or more through the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for supplies for these workers: Miss Eva K. Logue, Village Medical Center, Yellari, India; Miss Helen Fehr, Jagdalpur, India; Miss Pearl Precise, Nadiad, India.

For Children In Korea

Life is still very hard for people in Korea. Food, clothing, medical aid, and shelter are still needed by large numbers of children.

Send gifts of money to help meet the needs of children in Korea directly to the Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York.

For Work With Children In the United States

In Christian centers in cities in many parts of the country, in kindergartens and clinics, in churches and homes, deaconesses and other Christian workers are trying to meet the needs of children and guide them into the Christian faith.

Send gifts of $3.00, $5.00, or more through the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for supplies for a worker with children in one of the institutions of your own or a nearby conference.

REPORT TO THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY

The secretary of Children's Work may wish to:

Display and call attention to some of the new missionary materials for children.

Mention briefly some of the current plans of the church school for boys and girls.

Motion Picture and Filmstrip on Missionary Emphases

A Visit to Vellore.[1] A 16 mm sound film in color. The picture tells the story of a village boy who is helped by the Vellore Christian Medical Hospital. Rental, $6.00. Showing time, 13½ minutes.

Jimmy Finds City Friends.[2] Script by Grace W. McGavran. A filmstrip about Jimmy, a boy who is lonely in his new city home. The Community Center helps him to find friends and to make a place for himself. Black and white. 53 frames. Without sound. Rental, $3.00.

[1] Order from The Methodist Publishing House serving your territory.
[2] Order from the Friendship Press, 257 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

Manuals for Additional Sessions

Two important new pieces of missionary materials for boys and girls are the manuals on "India and Pakistan" for use in additional sessions of the church school. The authors are well-known leaders of children. Secretaries of Children's Work and other teachers will find these units of work of special interest. The manuals are:

*Primary: Children of India,** by Ethel L. Smither. Price, 50 cents.

*Junior: Adventure in India and Pakistan,** by Carolyn Muller Wolcott. Price, 50 cents.

Calendar of Activities

Meet with council of children's workers in the church school to plan year's work, including plans for missionary education.

Read: This issue of the "World Friendship Bulletin"; *Child Guidance in Christian Living*, September, 1954. Give special attention to the section, "Toward Wider Horizons."

Report to Woman's Society of Christian Service.

*When Children Give 1954-55**

This eight-page folder of pictures reveals some of the many things that happen in "India and Pakistan" and in "The City" when boys and girls give their offerings to missions. Each child will wish to have his own copy. Single copy, 15 cents each; in dozen lots, 8 cents each.

STORIES OF JESUS FOR CHILDREN EVERYWHERE

Leaders of boys and girls are reminded of this project, recently announced, to help children in the United States share stories of Jesus with boys and girls in other countries. The World Council of Christian Education has prepared a story booklet, with eight pictures in color on the life of Jesus, that may be sent to children abroad. The four language editions will be English, Spanish, Portuguese, and French, with one blank edition for local printing.

A gift of one dollar will pay for ten booklets to be sent to any country which the children designate. There the booklets will be distributed by missionaries and other Christian leaders.

For further information write for a flyer about the project to the Department of Christian Education of Children, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee.

READING BOOKS—MAPS—PICTURES

*Kindergarten Packet.** A new series of three picture storybooks illustrated in color by Jean Martinez. In paper, 75 cents each, or $2.00 in a package of three.

*Nezbah's Lamb,** by Edith J. Agnew. A story of a small Navajo Indian girl and her pet lamb.

*Keiko's Birthday,** by Jeanette Perkins Brown. The kindergarten class at the United Nations' School planned a surprise birthday party for little Japanese Keiko.

*Ronnie's Wish,** by Jeanette Perkins Brown. A story of Ronnie and his visit to the zoo, where he makes an important discovery.

For Primary Children:

*Fig Tree Village,** by Grace W. McGavran. Primary reading book on India. Price, $1.25.

*The Boy With the Busy Walk,** by Anne M. Halladay. Primary reading book on "The City." Price, $1.25.

For Junior Children:

*Chand of India,** by Irene Mason Harper. Junior reading book. Price, $1.25.

*Sidewalk Kids,** by Gertrude Rinden. Junior reading book on "The City." Price, $1.25.

*Picture Set: Children of India.** A book of eight large pictures in color, with stories for each. Price, $1.25.

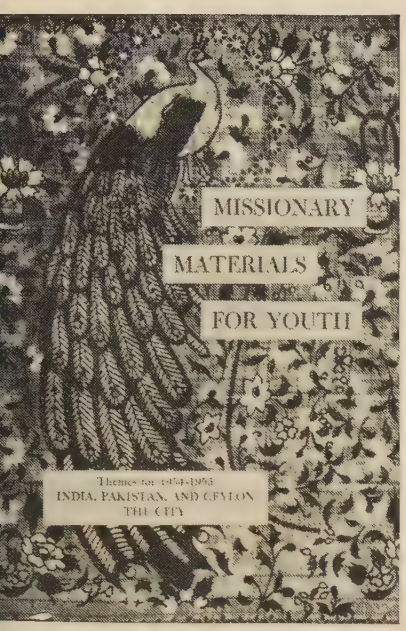
*Picture Set: Friendly House.** A picture story with twelve photographs and accompanying text showing the activities that a city mission offers children. Price, 50 cents.

*Political Map of India, Pakistan, Ceylon, and Burma.** 29 x 36 inches. Price, 50 cents.

*Picture Map of India, Pakistan, and Ceylon.** A work map for juniors with insert sheet. 50 x 38 inches. 75 cents.

*Outline Map of the United States.** 24½ x 31 inches. Price, 25 cents. Notebook size, 25 cents per dozen.

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio; or Distributing Offices.



Around the Calendar

By HELEN L. JOHNSON and MAY L. TITUS

Suggested Activities for the MYF in Christian Outreach

WHAT activities are being planned to make Christian Outreach come alive in your MYF? The youth council makes plans for the entire MYF program. If you are chairman of Christian Outreach, arrange with the council for a few youth and the adult adviser to work with you in preparing a schedule of suggested activities in Christian Outreach, using *Youth Planbook*[1] and the council plans as a basis. Bring it up to date from time to time as new ideas come to you and as the council develops the year's program. The activities will center around the ideas and interests you talk about in your MYF meetings on Sunday morning and Sunday evening. The following questions suggest ways to make Christian Outreach more important to every member.

1. Do members of your MYF know more about the missionary work of our church than they did a year ago?

2. In what ways have they grown in an understanding of how Christians work together through the ecumenical movement?

3. What have you done in your MYF to make the group concerned about the need for world peace? What are you and your MYF doing to learn more about the program of the United Nations?

4. Is every member of your MYF making a personal pledge to the Methodist Youth Fund? (And paying it?)

5. Do the members of your MYF know what their money does through World Service?

6. How has your MYF made a sacrificial effort to meet the needs of the world through giving to overseas relief and reconstruction?

Read the chapter on Christian Outreach in *Handbook of the Methodist Youth Fellowship* * (paper 75 cents; cloth $1.00) and *Missionary Materials for Youth.** Plan ways for introducing Christian Outreach in this year's program of the MYF. The following suggestions may help you.

September

1. Familiarize yourself with the areas of concern in Christian Outreach as described in *Handbook.** Encourage the youth council to use the resources suggested in *Roundtable.*[3]

2. Purchase new materials on the current missionary themes, "The City" and "India, Pakistan, and Ceylon." *Missionary Materials for Youth* * describes these materials.

3. Make plans for the girls of senior high and older youth age to study the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. This World Friendship Group of Girls will use the booklet containing programs and worship services entitled *Crowds and Faces** (75 cents).

4. Watch newspapers, magazines, and church publications for news of the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches that was held at Evanston, Illinois, August 15-31. Make an attractive bulletin board, showing our part in the ecumenical movement.

October

1. Plan to do something in your MYF about overseas relief. Make plans in the council to have a sacrificial meal in the home of each member of the MYF. Write to the Youth Department[1] for a free packet on overseas relief.

2. Plan to present the need for giving through the Methodist Youth Fund. Order packet of free materials from the Methodist Youth Fund, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee (one packet per church).

3. Secure list of suggested supplies (No. 2278-B)[1] to be sent to mission institutions. Plan several work parties and/or "showers," when gifts may be brought for some of the schools, hospitals, or homes.

4. Urge youth to participate in World-Wide Communion Sunday, October 3; United Nations Day and World Order Sunday, October 24.

5. Send to the Board of World Peace, 740 Rush Street, Chicago 11, Illinois, for free materials on peace and world order.

November

1. Begin an up-to-date file of articles, stories, and pictures on the areas of concern in Christian Outreach (see *Roundtable,*[3] THE METHODIST WOMAN,* WORLD OUTLOOK,* *Classmate,*[3] *and Concern*[2] for resource materials).

2. Plan to send Christmas greetings to missionaries of your church, both at home and abroad, and the missionaries and nationals whom

you met at summer assemblies, camps, and institutes.

3. Order packets of free materials on the missionary themes, "The City," and "India, Pakistan, and Ceylon" [1] (one packet to each church).

4. Discover where your money goes through the offering taken on World Service Sunday (the fourth Sunday of each month) in your morning session.

December

1. Talk with your minister regarding youth's participation in a School of Missions in your church in January for the entire church family. In the youth section use materials on one of the current missionary themes. See the leaflet *Missionary Materials for Youth** for resources.

2. Have an "around the world Christmas party." Use games, carols, stories, and food from various countries (including your own!). Invite persons from other countries or other racial groups who may be in or near your community.

3. See *Missionary Materials for Youth** for suggestions of resources on "India, Pakistan, and Ceylon" to use on January Sunday mornings.

4. Make plans to observe Human Rights Day, December 10. Write to the American Association for the United Nations, 345 East 46th Street, New York 17, New York, for free materials on human rights, as well as other materials on the U.N., in preparation for the first two Sunday evening meetings in January.

5. See that the committee responsible for worship on January Sunday mornings has a copy of the book of poems, *The Cross Is Lifted,** written by a leader of Indian Christian youth, Chandran Devanesen (paper $1.00, cloth $1.50).

January

1. Plan for a special festival in connection with the missionary study Sunday mornings. See ***Fun and Festival from India, Pakistan, and Ceylon,**** by Irene Wells and Jean Bothwell (50 cents).

2. Present a "snapshot" occasionally during this month and succeeding months, describing one place where our money goes through the Methodist Youth Fund.

February

1. Plan for participation in the World Day of Prayer, February 25.

2. Determine ways to lend support to the effectiveness of the United Nations. Ask a few interested youth to analyze the coverage that your local newspaper gives the U.N. Make a U.N. scrapbook and share it with other groups in the church.

March

1. Check all pledges to the Methodist Youth Fund. The fiscal year for the MYFund closes May 31.

2. Plan for a dramatization of the life of a missionary, either in this country or abroad. One of the *Eagle* or *Frontier** books (20 cents each) provides good story material for informal dramatization. Secure list of the *Eagle* and *Frontier* books.[1]

April

1. Plan to participate in a Good Friday MYF sacrificial meal and service presenting the continuing need for overseas relief. Send offering to the Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York, requesting that the money be used wherever the need is greatest at the time. See special issue of *Concern.*[2]

2. Make plans for the first two Sunday evenings in May on "The Crowded Ways." See *Missionary Materials for Youth** for suggestions of resources.

May

1. Plan for a dedication service when new MYFund pledges will be made.

2. Urge members of your MYF attending summer assemblies, camps, and institutes to bring back ideas and plans for strengthening Christian Outreach in your MYF.

June

1. Plan opportunities in MYF morning or evening meetings to learn some of the hymns with world-wide implications in *The Methodist Hymnal.*

2. Plan a world friendship evening around a campfire. Invite a missionary or guest from another country if there is one in or near your community. Use songs from *Lift Every Voice.*[4] Use a story from one of the books listed in *Missionary Materials for Youth.**

July

1. Visit at least one of the missionary enterprises within your conference.

2. See this month's issue of *Roundtable*[3] for a description of the Fall Action Project of the Youth Emphasis on missions, world peace, and overseas relief.

3. Encourage youth in your church to attend the National Convocation of Methodist Youth at Lafayette, Indiana, August 22-26, and become acquainted with missionaries and guests from other countries.

August

1. Ask youth who attended assemblies, camps, or institutes to tell about one way that Christian Outreach was emphasized. Plan ways of using these ideas in your MYF.

2. Plan ways to recognize India's Independence Day, August 15.

---

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio; or Distributing Offices.

[1] Order from Youth Department, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee. (Free)

[2] Order from National Conference of Methodist Youth, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee. $1.00 per year.

[3] Order from The Methodist Publishing House serving your territory.

[4] Order from Service Department, Box 871, Nashville, Tennessee. 25 cents. Cash must accompany order.

Note: This article appears also in the September issue of *Roundtable.*

MISSIONARY EDUCATION

ELIZABETH STINSON, *Secretary*

SUGGESTIONS FOR TEACHING *THE CITY*

By MRS. ROY A. DILLON

CITIES are such fascinating places! All of us recall visits to "the city" and our response o such recollection depends upon he pleasure or pain; the friendliess or strangeness; the interest nd concern or the indifference we elt toward all that we saw and eard. Some of us have known ttle else but city life. To us, the ustle and bustle, the crowds and he noises, the loneliness among the nany—all is part of our daily outine—yet few of us really know nuch about the city.

Once on a sightseeing bus in anther part of the country, the irector was making some derogaory statements about my home ity. I couldn't answer him, for I ealized that I was a stranger to hat part of the life of my own city. knew only the streets that I freuented; only the neighborhoods hat I had reason to explore; just few people whom I could call riends and acquaintances in church nd in a few other organizations. actually knew only my small ommunity within the larger area alled the city. So we discover that ities are made up of many small ommunities—strange to each other ut dependent upon each other—djacent in area but far removed n spirit.

This year as we undertake the tudy, *The City,* we shall have opportunity to discover new facts nd to meet compelling challenges hether we live in city, town, or pen country.

Nearly one-half of the American eople live in 157 central cities of 0,000 or more and their adjacent uburbs and built-up territories, acording to the 1950 census. These reas occupy less than 0.5 per cent of ur nation's land area. Of the more an 66,000,000 Americans who are ot on the membership books of any urch, 42,000,000 live in urban reas.[1]

[1] *When—Your Home Is in the City,* page 77.

Making God real to city people ho live in a man-made secular ociety is the challenge to Chrisans today. The study, *The City,* offers a most interesting and stimulating opportunity to learn real facts about modern urban life.

The text, *Man and God in the City,* by Kenneth D. Miller, is a portrayal of modern urban life. Chapters on loneliness, tensions, social problems, superficiality, and paganism give material that will occupy our minds and hearts and stir our souls and bodies to new efforts as Christians. The satirical verse on page 169 brings smiles to our faces, but reveals the activist tendencies of many of us who sigh with exhaustion as we try to keep up with ourselves.

The Adult Guide on The City, by Ione Catton, is full of helpful suggestions which will produce interesting class sessions. Panels, tests, quiz sessions, fact-finding excursions, and suggestions for continuing action plus a closing "charge" to missions make this little booklet a most valuable aid to group study.

When—Your Home Is in the City is full of facts and stories helpful to any group. You may find your own church mentioned or a situation or person that you recognize listed in its pages. Use this material.

Look at the City, by Janette T. Harrington, is a picture book with detailed captions which tell the story of any city—your city, my city.

Methodism and the American City, and the leaflets listed on page 23, June, 1954, issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN tell specific stories of projects of Methodism. Magazines, secular and religious, especially WORLD OUTLOOK and THE METHODIST WOMAN, will have pertinent articles this fall. Some have appeared in recent issues.

By all means, be specific. Do not study just any city, but *The City.* If you live in a rural area, study the city nearest you or the capital city of your state. Make up an excursion party and arrange to see the areas that are strange to you or new to the city such as housing areas, trailer camps, or new church-sponsored projects. Visit institutions, neighborhood centers, and community projects.

If you live in a city, make it the object of your special study. As you study the text and guide, list the areas that you need to observe. Find out what your city is doing to meet special areas of need—senior citizens; children of employed parents; industrial areas; foreign-born and recently welcomed refugees. Study the new churches in new areas, but don't forget to look into the neighborhoods where churches have moved out to new locations. What has happened to the old neighborhood? Visit Wesley House, Bethlehem Center, and other church-sponsored institutions whether of your denomination or not. See what your city or district board of missions is doing. Contact your Community Council for help in seeing your city in its "wholeness." Make this study come to life for each member of the group.

City Story, a film, and *Dick's Discovery,* a filmstrip, are visual aids recommended for use.

The City can be a very active study so far as group participation is concerned. It will lead you into continuing activity and help you understand more clearly what is meant by the phrase "give the city a soul." May your hours together in this study be profitable for you, the Kingdom, and our Lord.

Cup and Counselor

By DR. STANLEY H. MARTIN

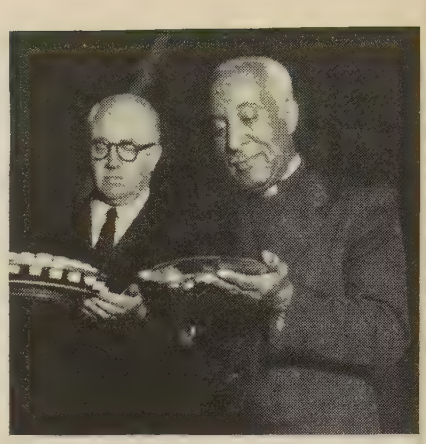
THERE are vast differences in the various religions of the world. Some are cold and intellectual in their approach to God, while others border on wild emotionalism. Some place their hope in a reconstructed world order, while others strive for the perfection of the soul and inner salvation. Some look to a distant world of fantasy, while others demand that religion provide answers to the stark realism of our day. In Protestantism in general and in Methodism in particular there is a balance in our faith, for in the development of the church we have followed Wesley's words of wisdom, "Let us unite the two so long divided, knowledge and vital piety."

It is this concern for knowledge and vital piety that brought more than 2,500 students together at Lawrence, Kansas, last Christmas for the Fifth Quadrennial Methodist Student Conference. It was this concern that brought the bread and the cup to the conference delegates during the watch-night service, and that brought more than 500 to the counselors of the conference as individual students sought to think through their lifework. Furthermore, this concern expresses itself in many other ways—in the maintenance of over 150 colleges and universities, in 160 Wesley Foundations on state and independent campuses, in a nationwide program of counseling and guidance through the Conference Commissions on Christian Vocations, and for more than eighty years through the Methodist Student Loan and Scholarship Fund. To inspire our youth to Christian commitment on one hand and to guide them and assist them in realizing the goals of such a commitment represent one of the most profound tasks of the church today.

Bishop Newell S. Booth of Africa counseling a student at the conference

The task of inspiring and counseling the nation's youth is not the responsibility of the bishops of the church alone, but rather is the responsibility of every secretary of Student Work in every local church throughout Methodism. Young people can be inspired, but it is often more difficult to instruct them in the ways and means of fulfilling their life's calling. As secretaries of Student Work and as vital members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, we need to be thoroughly familiar with the Methodist Student Loan Fund that has made emergency loans available to more than 75,000 students in the past eighty-three years. As educational advisers we need to know the schools that are vitally related to the church, so that students may have an opportunity to share in the church's program of higher education.

As secretaries of Student Work we need to encourage those who give the most outstanding promise of usefulness to channel their interests and abilities, talents and skills into full-time Christian service with the understanding that the church has provided National Methodist Scholarships for assisting such persons. As secretaries of Student Work, we have an opportunity and responsibility for keeping the cause of Christian higher education before our young people, and for assisting the pastor of the church and the Board of Education in the proper presentation of the church's educational program. Where there is lack of vision we have the opportunity to extend the cup of inspiration, and where there is commitment we have the high privilege of offering counsel and guidance.



Bishop Donald H. Tippett and Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., officiating at the Holy Communion service at the Fifth Quadrennial Methodist Student Conference, Lawrence, Kansas

The Methodist Student Loan Fund, that has helped so many young men and women realize their educational objectives, has sufficient assets to assure the availability of emergency loans to students for many years to come, but the National Methodist Scholarship program is entirely dependent upon Methodist Student Day receipts for its funds. Ninety-five per cent of Methodist Student Day receipts are channeled into the scholarship program, with only five per cent being designated for the loan fund. This means that the local secretary of Student Work has an added responsibility of see-

ıg that every local church con-
ributes its fair share to this im-
ortant work. The church must
and ready to assist those deserv-
ıg young men and women, who
eel the call to service but who
ack the necessary funds with
hich to prepare themselves. To
ssist in the promotion of Meth-
dist Student Day is to project the
ıfluence of the Christian church
ar into the future and to make life meaningful for many young people today. Some will become teachers, others ministers, others missionaries, doctors, lawyers, musicians and mechanics, but wherever God has conveyed His will through the cup He looks to us for counsel.

For further information regarding the Methodist Student Loan and Scholarship program, write to the Department of Student Loan and Scholarships, Division of Educational Institutions, Board of Education of The Methodist Church, Post Office Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

LITERATURE STYLE SHOW

Adapted from a skit prepared by Mrs. Glenn D. Perkins, *for the literature banquet at the Kansas Conference Annual Meeting*

Song: *Tune of* "Bringing in the heaves" (*Women come through udience distributing free litera-ure*)

Working in the morning
Doing deeds of kindness,
Doing them at noontide
And the dewy eve.
When your work is over
You will bid us welcome
As we come rejoicing
Bringing literature.

Chorus

Bringing literature,
Bringing literature,
Here we come rejoicing,
Bringing literature.

(*Repeat chorus*)

Mrs. B____ (*from audience*): Irs. Secretary of Literature, may ask a question before you start ıe program?

Mrs. Secretary of Literature: ertainly, Mrs. B____.

Mrs. B____: What is the trouble ith a Society that hasn't any pep -doesn't grow—just drags along ırough a sense of duty, with un-ıteresting, lifeless programs?

Mrs. Secretary of Literature: everal things could be wrong, but omehow I have an idea that that Society isn't properly dressed. You know how important it is to feel that you are wearing the right clothes for the occasion, whatever it is. It gives one confidence and poise. We'll go right on with our program as I think it will help you to understand what I mean, for we shall visit our Fashion Center, the building pictured on your little booklet, which we know as Literature Headquarters. There we hope you will see a suitable wardrobe for you and your Society.

Speaker: Now first we all need *Work Clothes.* (*Poster showing jeans and housedresses is displayed.*) If each one is familiar with the work of the Woman's Society as outlined in *A Guide,* she will see how her work fits in with that of the other members to accomplish a great task. Each officer has her own work clothes described in detail in her specific *Handbook.* And each one reports the results of her labors in the *Report Book.* (*Each book is shown when mentioned during the program.*)

Secretary of Literature: It is most convenient to have at least one *Basic Outfit.* (*Poster shows a simple suit.*)

Speaker: This most important garment (*Program Book*) has two sections—one large and rather full; the other smaller and easier to slip into. But whichever one or parts of both we use, it must be fitted or adapted to our own particular needs and enriched with the suggested worship (*Worship Booklet*).

Secretary of Literature: This basic outfit can so easily be changed, made more attractive, or given an entirely new look with a different *Blouse or Jacket.* (*Posters of* The Methodist Woman *and* World Outlook *are shown, while following solo is sung.*)

Solo: *Tune of* "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean"

1. If you are a Methodist woman,
   This magazine's just what you need:
   It's full of such grand information,
   Read it or you cannot lead.

Chorus

You should read it,
From cover to cover it brings a thrill;
So attractive
For you to enjoy if you will.

2. I'm sure that each Methodist woman
   To be a good member and true
   Must be well-informed as a Christian
   Her part in the Lord's work to do.

Chorus

3. Our mission work is so important
   And also the needs in each town,
   We all need to have information
   Our prayers and our service to crown.

Chorus

Secretary of Literature: This (*holds up* The Methodist Woman) is practically a must for every well-dressed officer. Now let's all sing about it.

Song: *Tune of* "Jingle Bells"

Chorus

Methodist Woman, Methodist Woman
Accept a tribute true.
We feel you are the very best.
Magazine to view.

Full of interest, full of helps,
In all our work to share,
Truly life would be amiss
If our copy were not there.

SECRETARY OF LITERATURE: There are lots and lots of *Accessories* (*poster shows scarf, flowers, jewelry, gloves, purse*) to supplement the basic outfit and add to its general appearance.

SPEAKER: There are scarfs and flowers from practically every country in these *Do You Know* booklets and *Field Literature.* Perfect little jewels to add lots of sparkle and interest as *On the Road to Mandalay, Home Missions Diorama,* and *Our Work Among Spanish-Speaking Americans.* There are many pairs of colorful gloves to equip the hands to build a World Christian Community in the *Christian Social Relations material.* And one big carry-all purse that will do for all occasions (*Annual Report*).

SECRETARY OF LITERATURE: And, of course, one must have several pairs of good *Shoes* (*poster showing shoes*).

SPEAKER: Our shoes will take us on *A Trip With a Mission.* Or perhaps you would like to go through *A Wide Door for Effective Service* or to *Southeast Asia.* You might like to *Hop the Islands in the Caribbean* or visit the church in the city. (Show *Man and God in the City.*) Our shoes also help you to see *Under Three Flags,* and to learn something of your responsibility when *The Master Calleth for Thee,* as well as travel where *Christianity and Wealth* bring a challenge.

SECRETARY OF LITERATURE: No matter what type of apparel one is wearing, it always looks its very best when over the proper *Foundation.* (*Poster*)

SPEAKER: We carry a foundation for radiant beauty. It gives one *Power for Daily Living* (*from Spiritual Life Packet*). We keep in touch with our customers, missionaries, deaconesses, and other coworkers through this *Prayer Calendar.* No phase of the work of the Society is successful unless it is underlaid and guided by the Divine Spirit of Love (*Prayer Cards*).

SECRETARY OF LITERATURE: I am sorry, but we do not have time to display all our samples. Come to our showroom upstairs and see the others. You will find *Play Clothes,* special clothes for the Career Girl and the Student, many styles for the Youth and young Children, and clothes for the women in any Legal Status. If we do not have your particular size or color you may look through our comprehensive *Catalogue* and we will be glad to order it for you. Now, Mrs. B_____, if that Society were to wear these correct clothes, don't you think it would grow and be full of enthusiasm and vitality?

RIO GRANDE CONFERENCE

An English-speaking visitor, sitting in the meetings of the Rio Grande Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service held last Spring in Dallas, Texas, might have felt as if she were sitting in any other conference of the South Central Jurisdiction, except for the difference in language and the smaller delegation. The president, Mrs. Minerva N. Garza of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and the other officers had their work so well planned and carried out their program with such skill and ease that one could imagine she were hearing the messages in her own language. Delegates and visitors from near and far—from Brownsville to Albuquerque, and from Houston to El Paso—were fortunate to hear such consecrated speakers as those who appeared on the program.

The Rio Grande Conference Woman's Society is very grateful for the help of the two South Central Jurisdiction officers, Mrs. Forest E. Dudley, secretary of Spiritual Life, and Mrs. D. C. Stretch, secretary of Promotion, who were a constant inspiration during the conference, giving messages of hope and vision, and replying to many inquiries about the work.

The careful preparation made by the local committee, the tasty food at all meals, the lovely homes in which the delegates were given a warm reception, the Christian fellowship offered by the members of the local churches of Dallas—both Spanish-speaking and English-speaking—the music of the choir and the Southern Methodist University quartet—all helped to make the conference a wonderful success and one that will never be forgotten.

—MATTIE VARN

Mission Schools Have a Mission

(*Continued from page 8*)

church in the preparation of leaders and in cooperation with the church organizations in different ways. Protestant children are given preference in the long lists of those waiting to be accepted as students, and many of them are given scholarship aid. The buildings are used for various church activities in which teachers naturally take a part. Many give volunteer help with youth groups in the churches themselves, in Sunday school classes, choirs, or Woman's Societies. Often these groups are made up largely of students or ex-students whose first contact with the church came through the school.

Together with this mission to the people directly connected with the school and to the church, the schools also have a mission to the community in which they serve. They stand as a witness to our Protestant teachings and Christian emphases—a witness for all to see. That means that all contacts with students, teachers, parents, educational authorities, and the public in general must be made on a high Christian level of conduct and understanding.

Yes, our Methodist schools have a mission in Latin America, but for them to fulfill this mission they need missionaries. Well-trained, dedicated Christian nationals may take positions of responsibility as teachers and administrators, but that does not eliminate the need for the missionary who can make a contribution in some special field because of specialized training, or who will work alongside the national teachers in a literature or a science or a primary class and who serves in a special way by the very fact that she has been willing to leave her own country to share in this mission to others.

LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

MRS. C. C. LONG, *Circulation Manager and Secretary of Literature*
7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio

The Methodist Woman, $1.00 per year. Combination with World Outlook, $2.30

STATION MWWO

OCTOBER is the month in which we have our drive for combination subscriptions to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK.

A letter was sent the latter part of June to each secretary of Literature and Publications in the local church, suggesting that at a luncheon or tea in October, a real effort be made to secure combination subscriptions to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK. Awards will be made to local churches in four classifications across the country. Also beautiful banners will be awarded to the highest jurisdiction, conference, and district. Last year Southeastern Jurisdiction, Florida Conference, and Sarasota District received the banners. Will you help your district, conference, and jurisdiction, as they try to take the award for their group this year? Ask the president for sufficient time to share the details of the plan as outlined.

A Suggested Program

STAGE SETTING: A television screen covered with theatrical gauze.

ANNOUNCER: This is Station MWWO, the great missionary news station. Your channel is CO (Combination October). We present the Methodist Missionary Twins.

(*Two people of about the same size, one holding* THE METHODIST WOMAN, *the other* WORLD OUTLOOK, *appear back of gauze or within the confines of the screen.*)

SING:

Howdy do, everybody, howdy do!
We're the Methodist Missionary
Twins so true—
Our pages large or small
We would share with one and all.
Howdy do, everybody, howdy do!

W.O.: Hello, M.W., it's good to see you; a twin is a fine person to have around.

M.W.: Yes, W.O., especially when we aren't identical. You know, I think an identical twin would be a bore!

W.O.: Humph, so do I. Wearing the same clothes, using the same voice, having the same habits—boy! I'm glad we aren't identical. Did you see my colored picture section in June? The Japanese countryside in the springtime is lovely. But even more lovely is the work our missionaries of the Woman's Division of Christian Service are doing to relieve the tedium of life in that countryside. And aren't the children of the Methodist Kindergarten in Pusan, Korea, just adorable, as well as the kiddies taking their cod-liver oil at the Church of All Nations in Los Angeles?

M.W.: Yes, I like those colored pictures, but, Sis, I want to brag a bit about my Chart and Compass pages. They're all about becoming map-minded. Don't you just *love* maps? The dress that I wore in the month of March would make a wonderful program for any circle.

W.O.: Some of my pictures show a pattern that is emerging and is a sign that a world-wide church is growing, with responsibility felt by all its contributing bodies. For instance, the missionaries in Burma standing near the missionary residence are working in a joint project indeed with the Woman's Division of Christian Service, the Division of World Missions, and the Baptists—all working together.

M.W.: Well, you and I feel that is the only way to work. Honestly, our family couldn't get along without us, and everywhere (forgive me if I sound conceited) the homes into which we go are blessed each month when the postman, as our escort, leaves us at the door.

W.O.: How right you are! Well, I'd say we're indispensable. I furnish conversation for the entire family on the missionary program of the church with my knowledge of how "New Drugs Offer New Hope" in the treatment of leprosy, and I know that we Methodists are helping through our missions.

M.W.: Well, my fund of knowledge is shared with the women in my friends' homes. I love to tell about the World Friendship Bulletin and stories of children at work and play all over the world, as well as in our own land. My friends are so interested, and when I told Mrs. Prospective Subscriber about Isobel Mukambe of Lourenca Marques and also of her wonderful Christian work in Kambini, Africa, they could hardly wait to hear more. I told them that each month I brought stories, as well as know-how to do their Woman's Society work.

M.W. and *W.O.* (*speaking together*):

Well, here we are—
Not identical
But really indispensable.
Subscribe today,
Please don't say nay.
Two thirty only
A tiny bit,
But do get started
And never quit,
For to be world-minded
Should be your creed.
We'll come each month
And fill that need.

QUESTION:
What is an Annuity?

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE REPORT FOI

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOARI

Henrietta Gibso

Jurisdiction	CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS						
	Adult	W.S.G.	Paid on Pledge 1953-54	Total Pledged 1953-54	Youth	Children	Total on Appropriation 1953-54
Central:							
Central Alabama	$ 802.53	$ 39.00	$ 841.53	$ 1,000.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 843.
Central West	997.78	319.55	1,317.33	1,164.00	95.70	21.10	1,434.
Delaware	10,898.29	510.50	11,408.79	8,800.00	567.00	95.80	12,071.
East Tennessee	970.50	187.50	1,158.00	1,900.00	32.58	11.00	1,201.
Florida	900.00	59.00	959.00	900.00	10.00	9.00	978.
Georgia	2,008.87	209.75	2,218.62	2,800.00	16.25	9.00	2,243.
Lexington	6,780.00	1,359.31	8,139.31	6,500.00	220.00	35.02	8,394.
Louisiana	2,321.52	153.25	2,474.77	3,500.00	40.00	32.50	2,547.
Mississippi	1,729.09	386.50	2,115.59	3,000.00	3.00	1.00	2,119.
North Carolina	1,810.00	80.00	1,890.00	1,850.00	56.00	24.00	1,970.
South Carolina	3,775.34	98.00	3,873.34	3,500.00	93.33	24.15	3,990.
Southwest	769.75	6.00	775.75	1,000.00	72.57	37.80	886.
Tennessee	1,330.00	246.00	1,576.00	2,000.00	82.50	102.00	1,760.
Texas	2,806.50	312.50	3,119.00	3,000.00	184.00	34.00	3,337.
Upper Mississippi	700.00	10.00	710.00	700.00	89.64	18.09	817.
Washington	6,008.67	1,843.76	7,852.43	6,300.00	971.26	248.70	9,072.
West Texas	1,347.50	252.50	1,600.00	1,600.00	11.35	22.85	1,634.
Total	45,956.34	6,073.12	52,029.46	49,514.00	2,546.18	727.01	55,302.
North Central:							
Detroit	135,892.93	6,886.52	142,779.45	134,000.00	5,562.77	665.34	149,007.
Illinois	166,408.57	9,840.72	176,249.29	171,000.00	7,453.34	1,503.84	185,206.
Indiana	108,095.35	9,236.53	117,331.88	113,500.00	4,697.00	2,061.04	124,089.
Iowa-Des Moines	126,541.04	7,279.79	133,820.83	112,500.00	7,364.03	680.59	141,865.
Michigan	95,317.40	5,697.52	101,014.92	98,000.00	4,073.40	942.89	106,031.
Minnesota	93,001.06	6,434.48	99,435.54	90,000.00	2,566.50	715.93	102,717.
North Dakota	28,546.56	1,025.00	29,571.56	30,000.00	755.00	435.71	30,762.
North Indiana	139,947.67	8,070.14	148,017.81	148,120.00	7,305.50	2,023.93	157,347.
North Iowa	149,340.30	6,134.38	155,474.68	149,000.00	8,145.39	1,151.36	164,771.
North-East Ohio	225,437.69	13,449.21	238,886.90	231,221.51	7,385.34	2,878.05	249,150.
Northwest Indiana	68,774.67	3,950.33	72,725.00	74,000.00	2,707.89	655.34	76,088.
Ohio	292,241.86	15,514.04	307,755.90	300,000.00	11,184.62	3,414.75	322,355.
Rock River	184,122.04	12,596.50	196,718.54	191,426.00	4,497.10	1,318.26	202,533.
South Dakota	30,651.22	1,924.99	32,576.21	33,000.00	1,236.96	104.58	33,917.
Southern Illinois	48,650.96	6,653.15	55,304.11	59,820.00	2,678.77	677.88	58,660.
West Wisconsin	36,771.53	1,480.13	38,251.66	36,200.00	1,347.86	78.46	39,677.
Wisconsin	54,131.57	2,825.75	56,957.32	53,000.00	1,822.87	209.74	58,989.
Total	1,983,872.42	118,999.18	2,102,871.60	2,024,787.51	80,784.34	19,517.69	2,203,173.
Northeastern:							
Baltimore	133,895.74	4,498.77	138,394.51	120,000.00	8,441.16	571.58	142,407.
Central New York	57,473.37	1,699.00	59,172.37	52,500.00	2,132.00	288.28	61,592.
Central Pennsylvania	58,694.46	1,303.75	59,998.21	53,000.00	2,734.76	366.33	63,099.
Erie	81,057.93	1,512.31	82,570.24	80,000.00	3,678.08	926.00	87,174.
Genesee	72,871.59	2,434.21	75,305.80	70,000.00	1,323.50	132.43	76,761.
Maine	9,847.55	31.50	9,879.05	9,200.00	300.06	26.32	10,205.
New England	40,814.55	793.40	41,607.95	38,000.00	737.45	308.74	42,654.
New England Southern	24,916.22	44.37	24,960.59	24,500.00	708.81	26.17	25,695.
New Hampshire	7,947.52	504.00	8,451.52	7,820.00	170.18	25.39	8,647.
New Jersey	55,534.68	1,659.39	57,194.07	53,000.00	2,237.29	539.13	59,970.
New York	40,964.30	4,613.10	45,577.40	40,000.00	664.37	94.98	46,336.
New York East	58,045.83	3,124.72	61,170.55	56,250.00	724.17	146.77	62,041.
Newark	67,146.35	3,234.05	70,380.40	69,800.00	834.64	306.45	71,521.
Northern New York	29,796.29	1,203.71	31,000.00	31,000.00	680.97	93.32	31,774.
Peninsula	48,153.09	178.21	48,331.30	43,500.00	1,611.25	267.12	50,209.
Philadelphia	96,831.70	5,943.80	102,775.50	85,000.00	3,318.75	883.76	106,978.
Pittsburgh	117,511.54	2,831.30	120,342.84	96,000.00	6,625.13	1,624.34	128,592.
Puerto Rico Provisional	100.00	83.54	183.54	35.00			183.
Troy	54,893.26	1,806.09	56,699.35	56,000.00	916.46	119.43	57,735.
West Virginia	128,791.16	10,314.94	139,106.10	122,000.00	5,622.45	892.19	145,620.
Wyoming	56,790.51	2,232.34	59,022.85	50,000.00	4,362.00	250.68	63,635.
Total	1,242,077.64	50,046.50	1,292,124.14	1,157,605.00	42,823.48	7,889.41	1,342,837.
South Central:							
Central Kansas	145,808.82	13,731.26	159,540.08	164,670.00	5,944.57	1,154.51	166,639.
Central Texas	80,942.96	14,872.27	95,815.23	84,000.00	2,477.41	241.20	98,533.
East Oklahoma	65,233.20	7,444.92	72,678.12	68,250.00	2,659.44	282.74	75,620.
Indian Mission	1,297.31		1,297.31	1,020.00	126.29	16.16	1,439.
Kansas	84,788.94	8,368.82	93,157.76	97,000.00	3,315.36	842.35	97,315.
Little Rock	65,026.72	9,652.95	74,679.67	72,000.00	2,187.05	171.28	77,038.

*Richard E. Cox Memorial.

ANSWER:

An Annuity is a specified income payable at stated intervals for a fixed or contingent period in consideration of a stipulated premium paid either in prior installment payments or in a single payment.

EAR JUNE 1, 1953—MAY 31, 1954

MISSIONS—THE METHODIST CHURCH

asurer

DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

General propriations	Conference Work	Total on Appropriations 1953-54	Total on Appropriations 1952-53	Week of Prayer (Including W.S.G.)	Cash for Supply Work	Supplementary Gifts	Cultivation ¼ of 1¢ Per Member	Bequests	Total Receipts
843.53		$ 843.53	$ 704.28	$ 14.75	$ 66.30		$ 4.00		$ 928.58
1,434.13		1,434.13	1,199.02	169.80	48.00		3.95		1,655.88
9,571.59	$ 2,500.00	12,071.59	11,130.72	163.63	383.30		16.00		12,634.52
1,201.58		1,201.58	965.15	80.55	3.00	$ 10.00	3.90		1,299.03
978.00		978.00	958.75	66.73	68.00		3.80		1,116.53
2,243.87		2,243.87	2,185.35	62.08	175.00		7.35		2,488.30
8,394.33		8,394.33	8,601.64	395.20	462.00	935.00	13.79		10,200.32
2,547.27		2,547.27	2,588.25	118.92	165.88		6.00		2,838.07
2,119.59		2,119.59	2,317.92	123.70	238.75		5.00		2,487.04
1,970.00		1,970.00	1,938.00	127.86	75.00		7.00		2,179.86
3,990.82		3,990.82	3,622.95	306.14	108.55		10.60		4,416.11
886.12		886.12	602.25	40.00	162.00		2.00		1,090.12
1,760.50		1,760.50	1,699.00	51.00	285.00		4.00		2,100.50
3,337.00		3,337.00	3,335.74	150.00	216.25	27.50	7.00		3,737.75
817.73		817.73	696.20	3.75	1.00	74.30			896.78
9,072.39		9,072.39	7,746.53	518.16	371.00		18.00		9,979.55
1,634.20		1,634.20	1,615.50	96.33	120.10		5.00		1,855.63
52,802.65	2,500.00	55,302.65	51,907.25	2,488.60	2,949.13	1,046.80	117.39		61,904.57
144,957.56	4,050.00	149,007.56	136,772.19	4,991.01	15,533.41	2,854.98	96.82	$ 2,000.00	174,483.78
166,606.47	18,600.00	185,206.47	177,974.15	6,877.39	23,740.86	15,595.34	104.86	3,000.76	234,525.68
121,089.92	3,000.00	124,089.92	116,773.72	5,385.82	11,455.37	1,637.53	73.27		142,641.91
134,145.45	7,720.00	141,865.45	135,260.31	6,138.73	9,481.76	739.00	106.25	*200.00	158,531.19
99,341.21	6,690.00	106,031.21	98,651.93	4,958.23	9,297.46	12,181.39	72.33		132,540.62
101,345.97	1,372.00	102,717.97	98,753.32	4,449.91	11,753.32	893.32	70.50		119,885.02
30,762.27		30,762.27	29,093.30	1,445.74	4,239.54				36,447.55
157,347.24		157,347.24	143,072.47	5,565.00	10,845.05	9,113.90	70.89		182,942.08
159,732.43	5,039.00	164,771.43	153,371.63	6,609.48	14,251.50	1,972.09	98.83		187,703.33
238,750.29	10,400.00	249,150.29	235,249.52	8,939.07	15,137.35	662.15	126.97	2,816.14	276,831.97
76,088.23		76,088.23	70,107.16	3,399.23	5,551.20	2,773.78	45.56		87,858.00
322,055.27	300.00	322,355.27	292,440.95	13,160.76	34,150.74	1,411.21	172.25	300.00	371,550.23
193,183.90	9,350.00	202,533.90	189,204.57	4,530.34	11,290.02	3,146.34	83.03		221,583.63
33,917.75		33,917.75	33,014.66	1,668.56	2,986.66	347.50	25.00		38,945.47
56,660.76	2,000.00	58,660.76	57,247.86	4,148.22	10,561.48	2,992.72	35.18		76,398.36
39,677.98		39,677.98	36,697.50	1,742.29	3,796.07	200.00	29.00		45,445.34
58,989.93		58,989.93	56,044.31	2,791.35	4,329.86	217.70	38.10		66,366.94
2,134,652.63	68,521.00	2,203,173.63	2,059,729.55	86,801.13	198,401.65	56,738.95	1,248.84	8,316.90	2,554,681.10
129,507.25	12,900.00	142,407.25	134,372.74	7,399.35	10,160.61	4,077.00	83.00		164,127.21
61,592.65		61,592.65	58,697.12	1,886.25	3,476.48		45.00		67,000.38
53,099.30	10,000.00	63,099.30	58,749.82	2,669.59	3,353.81	100.00	52.50		69,275.20
80,174.32	7,000.00	87,174.32	82,622.49	5,000.57	8,136.59	1,546.95	46.49		101,904.92
73,961.73	2,800.00	76,761.73	71,963.54	2,435.55	7,036.36	1,397.00	45.78		87,676.42
10,205.43		10,205.43	9,896.89	593.48	410.23		32.04		11,241.18
30,854.14	11,800.00	42,654.14	39,118.23	924.92	3,866.48	3,035.35	37.11		50,518.00
22,195.57	3,500.00	25,695.57	25,117.90	854.04	1,123.68		19.00		27,692.29
8,647.09		8,647.09	7,970.92	373.53	368.41	50.00	9.01		9,448.04
54,470.49	5,500.00	59,970.49	58,978.26	2,377.15	4,167.06	15.00	45.98		66,575.68
46,336.75		46,336.75	42,448.93	1,284.62	2,499.11	105.00	27.50		50,252.98
57,491.49	4,550.00	62,041.49	61,024.29	1,832.44	3,687.21	130.00	41.13	2,000.00	69,732.27
67,921.49	3,600.00	71,521.49	70,233.23	2,415.40	4,406.46	1,784.68	44.23		80,172.26
31,774.29		31,774.29	30,681.88	1,677.63	1,803.72	211.80	56.80		35,524.24
42,549.67	7,660.00	50,209.67	48,054.94	2,520.44	3,527.93	6,311.79	58.35		62,628.18
89,378.01	17,600.00	106,978.01	99,194.51	4,673.12	9,929.82	747.22	59.54		122,387.71
114,692.31	13,900.00	128,592.31	120,691.98	5,924.06	9,222.85	650.00	60.75	274.16	144,724.13
183.54		183.54	103.00	45.00	13.35				241.89
57,735.24		57,735.24	55,122.28	2,096.74	3,574.82	70.00	72.00		63,548.80
133,320.74	12,300.00	145,620.74	140,486.86	12,018.07	15,774.52	5,945.30	94.30		179,452.93
56,435.53	7,200.00	63,635.53	54,009.52	2,163.42	4,868.89	29.45	43.85		70,741.14
1,222,527.03	120,310.00	1,342,837.03	1,269,539.33	61,165.37	101,408.39	26,206.54	974.36	2,274.16	1,534,865.85
166,014.16	625.00	166,639.16	154,209.04	7,214.27	16,721.38	1,789.85	83.01		192,447.67
98,533.84		98,533.84	83,025.00	6,849.43	6,635.70	2,603.21	35.37		114,657.55
75,620.30		75,620.30	62,880.57	4,757.36	8,808.94	1,350.00	31.22		90,567.82
1,439.76		1,439.76	1,695.80	143.43	291.46		2.49		1,877.14
94,815.47	2,500.00	97,315.47	90,064.90	3,328.24	9,225.03	1,769.15	63.36		111,701.25
77,038.00		77,038.00	71,630.00	3,573.29	4,469.38	1,209.10	30.82		86,320.59

QUESTION:

How much must I invest to purchase an Annuity?

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE REPORT FO

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOA

Henrietta Gibs

Jurisdiction	CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS						
	Adult	W.S.G.	Paid on Pledge 1953-54	Total Pledged 1953-54	Youth	Children	Total on Appropriati 1953-54
South Central (Continued):							
Louisiana	$ 87,937.35	$ 12,001.39	$ 99,938.74	$ 91,000.00	$ 3,650.42	$ 409.51	$ 103,998
Missouri	40,203.39	2,634.16	42,837.55	37,250.00	1,263.43	385.36	44,486
Nebraska	136,103.14	8,526.66	144,629.80	143,455.00	3,023.00	560.57	148,213
New Mexico	26,483.54	4,988.68	31,472.22	26,000.00	1,373.94	368.69	33,214
North Arkansas	43,867.49	10,388.48	54,255.97	52,000.00	668.19	126.56	55,050
North Texas	82,575.22	11,657.84	94,233.06	88,410.00	3,796.51	358.37	98,387
Northwest Texas	65,345.02	9,869.33	75,214.35	73,000.00	3,181.76	246.05	78,642
Rio Grande	1,651.96	149.98	1,801.94	1,175.00	92.28	20.44	1,914
St. Louis	66,793.12	9,251.09	76,044.21	68,500.00	897.23	750.91	77,692
Southwest Missouri	78,119.16	9,283.46	87,402.62	78,000.00	1,960.89	654.23	90,017
Southwest Texas	97,577.94	13,469.60	111,047.54	95,000.00	3,087.05	623.21	114,757
Texas	137,292.22	17,233.32	154,525.54	125,000.00	3,202.45	964.03	158,692
West Oklahoma	73,923.79	10,076.21	84,000.00	84,000.00	6,041.75	387.02	90,428
Total	1,380,971.29	173,600.42	1,554,571.71	1,449,730.00	48,949.02	8,563.19	1,612,083
Southeastern:							
Alabama	78,694.49	8,869.77	87,564.26	80,000.00	2,182.63	393.17	90,140
Cuba Mission	155.00		155.00	58.00			155
Florida	130,728.90	15,423.92	146,152.82	115,000.00	7,530.08	723.48	154,406
Holston	84,255.15	16,943.46	101,198.61	84,000.00	7,356.30	706.23	109,261
Kentucky	54,030.44	9,916.78	63,947.22	53,000.00	1,802.35	245.22	65,994
Louisville	46,844.28	7,164.20	54,008.48	52,000.00	2,824.56	595.54	57,428
Memphis	62,504.03	14,025.02	76,529.05	72,000.00	2,934.07	311.85	79,774
Mississippi	53,717.43	11,853.13	65,570.56	65,500.00	4,026.33	213.77	69,810
North Alabama	85,781.02	15,536.96	101,317.98	80,000.00	6,198.29	484.31	108,000
North Carolina	118,443.15	14,425.12	132,868.27	111,850.00	4,447.94	1,033.39	138,349
North Georgia	117,647.50	30,685.48	148,332.98	135,000.00	4,671.98	848.11	153,853
North Mississippi	44,296.79	7,708.90	52,005.69	45,000.00	3,883.65	174.37	56,063
South Carolina	130,464.26	16,261.68	146,725.94	130,000.00	6,358.59	808.71	153,893
South Georgia	127,634.45	14,026.72	141,661.17	105,000.00	3,149.46	739.32	145,549
Tennessee	73,254.27	16,745.73	90,000.00	82,000.00	4,167.05	407.40	94,574
Virginia	204,441.16	18,865.24	223,306.40	160,000.00	9,616.38	1,146.68	234,069
Western North Carolina	132,116.44	19,908.90	152,025.34	120,000.00	9,506.98	1,155.60	162,687
Total	1,545,008.76	238,361.01	1,783,369.77	1,490,408.00	80,656.64	9,987.15	1,874,013
Western:							
Alaska Mission	1,227.78	3.00	1,230.78	1,015.00	24.00		1,254
California-Nevada	96,757.38	6,692.43	103,449.81	98,604.00	3,850.25	358.88	107,658
Colorado	46,445.98	4,988.86	51,434.84	46,000.00	1,019.02	651.33	53,105
Hawaii Mission	1,790.90		1,790.90	1,500.00	55.90		1,846
Idaho	15,471.99	995.25	16,467.24	14,200.00	553.01	22.11	17,042
Japanese Provisional	200.00		200.00	150.00	25.00		225
Latin American Provisional	360.00		360.00	260.00	16.88		376
Montana	16,665.73	1,217.02	17,882.75	16,000.00	1,288.69	178.34	19,349
Oregon	45,330.35	3,697.39	49,027.74	48,000.00	1,122.41	255.21	50,405
Pacific Northwest	58,970.96	4,923.27	63,894.23	60,000.00	2,397.31	258.80	66,550
Southern California-Arizona	221,365.99	15,950.48	237,316.47	225,000.00	4,862.83	1,217.26	243,396
Wyoming State	7,860.66	639.12	8,499.78	8,500.00	179.39	144.13	8,823
Total	512,447.72	39,106.82	551,554.54	519,229.00	15.394.69	3,086.06	570,035
Total from Conferences	6,710,334.17	626,187.05	7,336,521.22	6,691,273.51	271,154.35	49,770.51	7,657,446
Other Income on Appropriations:							
Deaconess Pension Fund							
Enrolled Home Missionary Pension Fund							
Home Missionary and Deaconess Temporary Disability Fund							
Interest Income Allocated from Endowments and Restricted Funds							
Miscellaneous and Gifts for Appropriations							
Grand Total	$6,710,334.17	$626,187.05	$7,336,521.22	$6,691,273.51	$271,154.35	$49,770.51	$7,657,446

EAR JUNE 1, 1953—MAY 31, 1954

MISSIONS—THE METHODIST CHURCH

surer

ANSWER:

An Annuity Agreement with the Woman's Division may be purchased for as little as $100. Additional units of $100 may be added as you are able to do so.

DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

eneral ppriations	Conference Work	Total on Appropriations 1953-54	Total on Appropriations 1952-53	Week of Prayer (Including W.S.G.)	Cash for Supply Work	Supplementary Gifts	Cultivation ¼ of 1¢ Per Member	Bequests	Total Receipts
103,998.67		$ 103,998.67	$ 95,034.24	$ 7,562.25	$13,936.30	$ 632.00	$ 35.75		$126,164.97
44,486.34		44,486.34	40,294.03	3,533.51	3,747.28		30.16		51,797.29
140,513.37	$ 7,700.00	148,213.37	138,074.24	5,261.76	14,457.56	21,046.76	80.00		189,059.45
33,214.85		33,214.85	31,446.30	3,329.00	7,000.22	7.50	17.60		43,569.17
54,550.72	500.00	55,050.72	52,030.00	4,378.56	6,977.99	40.00	37.56		66,484.83
98,387.94		98,387.94	85,505.14	9,656.56	6,051.87	590.13	43.06		114,729.56
78,642.16		78,642.16	77,457.29	8,198.28	10,145.24	2,341.99	33.11		99,360.78
1,914.66		1,914.66	1,315.51	486.76	127.40		4.10		2,532.92
77,692.35		77,692.35	72,234.13	4,372.69	12,568.51	1,520.83	34.86		96,189.24
90,017.74		90,017.74	79,884.44	5,015.92	8,758.23	30.00	40.90		103,862.79
114,757.80		114,757.80	113,088.71	9,724.90	18,525.40	745.00	44.15		143,797.25
158,692.02		158,692.02	144,949.21	10,228.38	18,414.75	62.00	60.55		187,457.70
90,428.77		90,428.77	82,001.13	6,380.45	15,044.04	170.80	43.14		112,067.20
600,758.92	11,325.00	1,612,083.92	1,476,819.68	103,995.04	181,906.68	35,908.32	751.21		1,934,645.17
90,140.06		90,140.06	81,149.34	12,732.88	8,078.60	1,590.71	38.16		112,580.41
155.00		155.00	231.50	315.06	53.50				523.56
154,406.38		154,406.38	149,909.87	12,113.30	31,016.03	8,254.20	100.00		205,889.91
100,261.14	9,000.00	109,261.14	104,027.99	17,715.90	14,210.08	26,181.70	71.54		167,440.36
65,994.79		65,994.79	54,076.50	6,185.45	6,788.49	410.15	32.41		79,411.29
57,428.58		57,428.58	53,682.15	6,859.19	5,279.51	1,509.00	27.37		71,103.65
79,774.97		79,774.97	72,127.69	11,978.02	8,209.87	2,554.92	45.00		102,562.78
69,810.66		69,810.66	65,366.33	9,139.21	3,411.68	2,618.30	28.24		85,008.09
108,000.58		108,000.58	94,308.31	9,182.81	16,225.90	4,880.80	56.81		138,346.90
138,349.60		138,349.60	124,011.43	13,131.09	14,212.57	50.00	76.63		165,819.89
153,853.07		153,853.07	134,646.86	11,244.13	15,733.51	924.47	70.00		181,825.18
56,063.71		56,063.71	50,880.26	6,873.72	5,726.01	377.51	28.17		69,069.12
153,893.24		153,893.24	140,792.85	11,583.22	12,653.32	2,450.00	70.95		180,650.73
145,549.95		145,549.95	128,632.94	10,838.47	12,461.48	4,906.19	54.90		173,810.99
82,974.45	11,600.00	94,574.45	86,584.89	6,406.75	7,752.37	3,025.00	37.38		111,795.95
232,569.46	1,500.00	234,069.46	213,304.20	23,864.56	18,549.58	28,416.40	100.00		305,000.00
162,687.92		162,687.92	137,065.06	12,614.70	26,303.51	2,075.00	106.30		203,787.43
851,913.56	22,100.00	1,874,013.56	1,690,798.17	182,778.46	206,666.01	90,224.35	943.86		2,354,626.24
1,254.78		1,254.78	1,049.00	312.76	253.53		1.00		1,822.07
106,458.94	1,200.00	107,658.94	96,133.78	5,108.12	16,486.09	938.05	59.94	$ 1,050.00	131,301.14
49,505.19	3,600.00	53,105.19	49,843.03	3,322.10	5,400.10	637.58	43.26		62,508.23
1,846.80		1,846.80	1,692.25	131.11	314.83				2,292.74
17,042.36		17,042.36	16,750.12	1,009.30	2,460.65		11.45		20,523.76
225.00		225.00	164.39	112.72	20.00		3.00		360.72
376.88		376.88	353.54	69.96					446.84
17,549.78	1,800.00	19,349.78	17,091.62	1,117.38	2,604.08		14.56		23,085.80
47,905.36	2,500.00	50,405.36	47,758.28	2,149.39	4,299.45	1,946.70	30.23		58,831.13
65,650.34	900.00	66,550.34	62,440.79	3,576.05	6,471.13	1,954.23	46.77		78,598.52
213,596.56	29,800.00	243,396.56	229,143.11	9,123.32	23,782.60	40,642.68	99.30		317,044.46
8,823.30		8,823.30	7,635.54	310.22	796.66		6.38		9,936.56
530,235.29	39,800.00	570,035.29	530,055.45	26,342.43	62,889.12	46,119.24	315.89	1,050.00	706,751.97
392,890.08	264,556.00	7,657,446.08	7,078,849.43	463,571.03	754,220.98	256,244.20	4,351.55	11,641.06	9,147,474.90
69,264.13		69,264.13	51,834.64						69,264.13
1,167.84		1,167.84	432.39						1,167.84
20.00		20.00	510.00						20.00
20,913.57		20,913.57	12,469.53						20,913.57
14,675.87		14,675.87	12,331.61						14,675.87
106,041.41		106,041.41	77,578.17						
98,931.49	$264,556.00	$7,763,487.49	$7,156,427.60	$463,571.03	$754,220.98	$256,244.20	$4,351.55	$11,641.06	$9,253,516.31

WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL October 25-31, 1954

Poster. Purple and white. 10 cents

Gift Envelope. Free.

Leader's Handbook. Contains full suggestions for observance of the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial. Also lists the recipients of the offering. 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

Worship Service for the Program Meeting, "Our All-Sufficient Help." 3 cents; 25 for 50 cents.

Prayer Card. The projects for which the gifts are made are lifted in earnest prayer to the Heavenly Father. 2 cents; 75 for $1.00.

Meditations and Plans for the Quiet Day, "Christ Our All." This booklet contains the complete service for the Quiet Day and is for the conductor, but after the service it should have wide distribution. 15 cents; 12 for $1.00.

Order of Worship for the Quiet Day, "Christ Our All." Contains the group responses; each worshiper should have a copy. 5 cents; 25 for 75 cents.

Orders for the above literature must be in our offices by October 8, 1954.

PROGRAM MATERIALS

For Adults — September 1954 through August 1955

Except the Lord Keep the City

For Woman's Societies and Wesleyan Service Guilds

Program Book and **Worship Booklet,** Packet. 75 cents.

Program Book. 60 cents each, 3 for $1.50.

Worship Booklet. 20 cents each, 10 for $1.50.

My Date Book, 1954-55. Program calendar for local society. 5 cents.

Spanish Edition, Program Book and Worship Booklet in one volume. Available September 1. 60 cents.

For Youth — September 1954 through August 1955

Crowds and Faces. Worship services and programs for a World Friendship Group of Girls in the Methodist Youth Fellowship. 75 cents.

Resource Materials for the October 1954 Woman's Society of Christian Service Program on the Fourth Assembly:

Work Book for the Fourth Assembly. An interpretation of the Assembly theme, "Jesus Christ—The Way." 35 cents.

His Works. By Bishop Newell S. Booth. Meditations given at the Fourth Assembly. 45 cents.

"Jesus Christ—The Way." Worship Service on the Fourth Assembly, reprinted from May 1954 issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. 3 cents; 12 for 25 cents.

Thy Footsteps Tracing Eagerly. An over-all interpretation of the work of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Free for postage.

APPROVED STUDIES 1954-55

For Adults

Theme: The City.

Man and God in the City. By Kenneth D. Miller. $1.25.
Look at the City. By Janette T. Harrington. $1.00.
Adult Guide on "The City." By Ione Catton. 50 cents.

Theme: India, Pakistan, and Ceylon.

Under Three Flags. By Stephen Neill. $1.25.
Face to Face with India. By Roland E. Wolseley. $1.25.
Adult Guide on "India, Pakistan, and Ceylon." By Irene A. Jones. 50 cents.

Theme: That They May Have Life.

Christianity and Wealth. A symposium. 65 cents.
A Leader's Guide for "That They May Have Life." By Mrs. Clifford A. Bender. 25 cents.

Theme: Jesus' Teachings Concerning Women.

The Master Calleth for Thee. By Lady Hosie. 65 cents.
A Guide to Jesus' Teachings Concerning Women. By Ethelene Sampley. 25 cents.

The Church-Wide Study

Crowded Ways. A symposium. 50 cents.
The Church in Urban Life—A Fact Book. 50 cents.
The Leader's Guide to Crowded Ways. 15 cents.
Leader's Packet. Contains *Crowded Ways, The Church in Urban Life—A Fact Book,* and *The Leader's Guide.* $1.00.

NEW MATERIALS

A Christian's Primer of Technical Assistance and Land Reform. This booklet shows the Christian's responsibility to understand the scope and significance of the U. N.'s program on technical assistance and land reform and related programs of this type. 35 cents.

World Federation of Methodist Women. Revised leaflet giving up-to-date information. 10 cents.

Prayer Calendar. September 1954 through August 1955. Pray daily for missionaries and deaconesses and places of work under the Woman's Division of Christian Service. 40 cents.

Prayer at Noontide. A new prayer card. 3 cents; 25 for 50 cents.

Secretary of Children's Work. Revised leaflet giving duties and helps for this officer. Free for postage.

Threshold for Pakistan. New leaflet telling of the needs of the women of Pakistan. For use with the study course on "India, Pakistan, and Ceylon," Free for postage.

Bridge to the Future. The story of Aoyama Gakuin (Aoyama University) in Tokyo. Free for postage.

Adventure in North Africa. Tells of Methodist work in North Africa. Free for postage.

Women of the Warm Heart. By Alice Isabel Cook. Stories of six outstanding British women and their worth-while activities, beginning with Susannah Wesley and ending with Lord Rochester's mother. This book was printed in Britain and has outstanding value in the course on "Jesus' Teachings Concerning Women." 50 cents.

PAYMENT SHOULD ACCOMPANY ALL ORDERS. SEND FOR OUR NEW CATALOGUE

Orders for the above may be sent to your nearest address—

Literature Headquarters: 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio

Distributing Offices: 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.—83 McAllister Street, San Francisco 2, California

The retail stores of The Methodist Publishing House also sell the literature of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

050642 Y3 MAY 2
MRS RICHARD A BOLT
2934 LINDEN AVE
BERKELEY 5 CALIF